

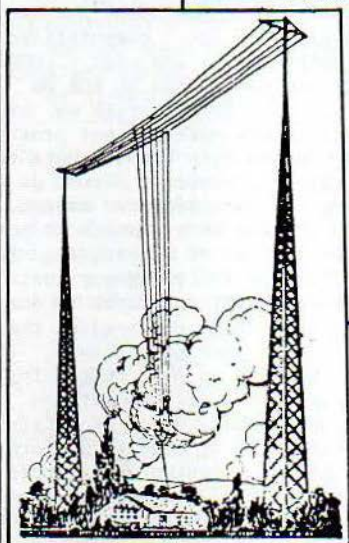
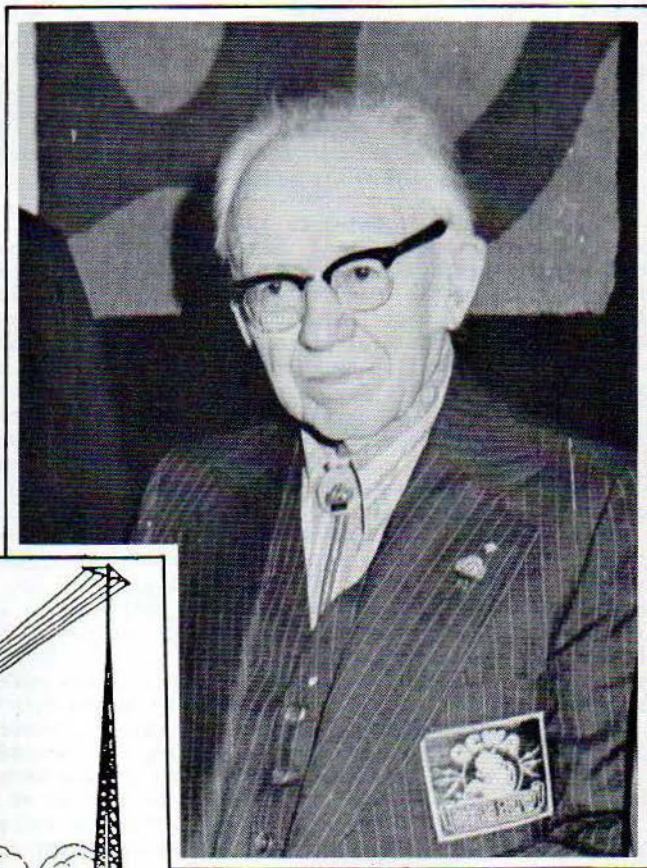
THE QCWA NEWS

APRIL, 1977

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Eric Shalkhauser, W9CI, Professor Emeritus, Bradley University, who inspired the Bi-Centennial Relay Messages, and who delivered those messages to President Elect Jimmy Carter's representative at Blair House, in Washington, D. C., on January 12, 1977

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IT'S ALL HAPPENING IN QCWA

Big things have been happening in QCWA in recent months....The Houston Convention last October....and the recently completed balloting on two Constitutional Amendments....The Bi-Centennial Relay, commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the 1916 Relay, carried to a successful conclusion by the Chicago Area Chapter....The imminent election of Officers and Directors....member interest in enlarging issues by placing a number of new nominees in contention by way of petition.... and, the 1977 National QCWA Convention scheduled for July 29-30-31, 1977, at Seattle....and the move of the QCWA headquarters office from Virginia to Texas.....any of these alone would have been big happenings in QCWA a few years ago, and to have all at once would have shaken us to our foundations. As it is, we shall take them in stride. There have been other matters of importance, and which may not be apparent to all....our membership is all computerized now, a mammoth job, carried to its present state almost entirely through the work of Rollie, W5RC, who has spent untold hours working on it. Mailing is done professionally now, computerized labels, with current membership expiration dates shown, are used....QCWA Activities are directed by Mac McRae, W9RC, and now awards go out on time, and his records are accurately kept. Here at headquarters we are trying to answer all mail every day..we don't always make it, but pretty close. It's not fun for us to admit errors, but we make them, a note fm you will bring corrections and an apology, where indicated. Viewed as a whole, QCWA is a going concern, we're growing in a satisfactory manner, and as we grow, we're trying to find ways to provide more service to our members. The Board has recently permitted acceptance of advertising in the News...Acceptance of advertising will assist in achieving our goals without added member costs...however, advertisers will not flock to our door unless we can produce results. We will appreciate you reading the messages in the News, and where possible, patronize our advertisers. It is their money on the line, spent to bring a message to you, that helps QCWA. When you purchase his product QCWA gains by having brought you together, and both of you gain, one by getting a good product at a fair price, the other by finding a customer for his product, made to perform as stated, at a profit to the dealer. Ballots for election of Officers are due to be mailed, first class, about June 10, 1977. Watch for them and then make a determination of your favorite candidate for each office and vote your conviction.

- W5EJ -

BALLOTING ON THE CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS

In the December News, two amendments to the Constitution of QCWA were proposed, and offered to the membership for their acceptance or rejection by secret ballot. The amendments, in brief, proposed the following:

- Proposition 1. Proposed to amend the Constitution in such a manner that the stated purposes of the Organization were in compliance with requirements of the IRS for any Organization designated as a non-profit, tax exempt group.
- Proposition 2 Proposed to amend the constitution so that members at large may, by petition, propose an amendment to the Constitution without prior consideration of the Board of Directors.

President Frank Gunther, W2ALS, authorized the appointment of a tellers Committee consisting of the following QCWA members:

Barney Moffatt, W5CJZ, Chairman
Gus Howard, W5KM
Joe Bonnett, W5III
Erwin Kane, W5PCY
Henry Winans, W5KNY

On March 16, 1977 all ballots received at headquarters were delivered, unopened to the Committee. A count was completed by the Committee, and a letter dated March 30, 1977 was transmitted to President Gunther reporting the results of the count. The letter stated the following:

DALLAS CHAPTER QCWA
March 30, 1977

Mr. Frank Gunther, W2ALS
President, QCWA
10 High Point Road
Staten Island, NY 10304

Dear Frank:

The following is the final compilation and report of the tellers for the Constitutional Amendments, Propositions Number 1 and Number 2.

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Proposition Number 1	1035	143
Proposition Number 2	912	226

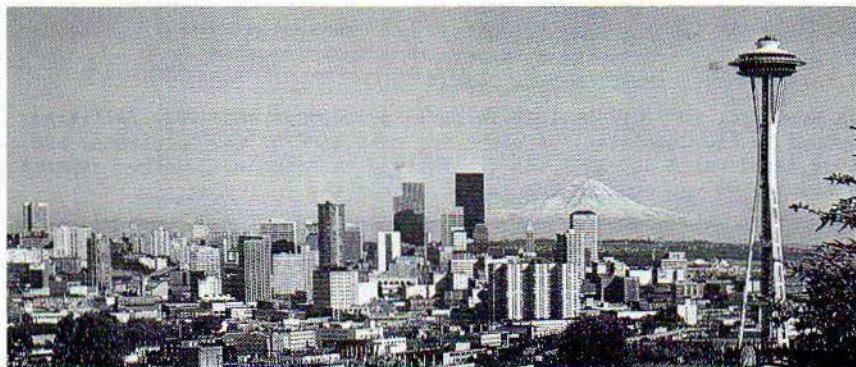
There were 14 ballots cast for directors. These were disqualified.

S/Barney Moffatt, W5CJZ, Chm.
Gus Howard, W5KM
Joe Bonnett, W5III
Erwin Kane, W5PCY
Dr. Henry Winans, W5KNY

Editors Note: The Constitution is declared amended, as proposed. A new printing of the Constitution will be made consistant with time needed to process the Newsletter.

THE QCWA 1977 NATIONAL CONVENTION

It's all hands to Seattle, scene of the 1977 NATIONAL QCWA Convention. Harry Lewis, W7JWJ has sent information on the affair, arranged & planned by the Northwest Chapter QCWA. The name was chosen as a combination from SEATTLE - QCWA - NW DX Clubs...who formed the original nucleus. So, the name SEA-Q-DX was chosen. It'll be July 29, 30 and 31, 1977 at Seattle.. Most QCWA activity will center at the Washington Plaza Hotel whose address is: PO Box 1826, Seattle, WA 98111, telephone 1 206 624 4700. On the opposite page is the program, and an interesting and lively affair it appears to be...There will be celebrities from Harry Dannals - Wayne Green - on down to the featured "attitude adjustment period" certain to be a popular part of the program. For QCWA, the Board will hold its annual meeting for 1977. Officers elected for the next two years, will be introduced and will Officially be inaugurated, following their election in the June balloting. There will be much fun, much pleasure and a lot going on, of interest to all...come on to Seattle, join in! Seattle is a beautiful place, in a marvelous setting. The picture below, taken toward the SE, overlooks downtown Seattle, with Mount Ranier in the background. The Washington Plaza is the round building in the left-center.



The Official registration form, reproduced below, may be clipped and sent in to insure that you're registered for the "works." We urge that you do so early.

SEA-Q-DX CONVENTION — JULY 29, 30, 31, 1977

P.O. Box 25537, Seattle, Washington 98125

NAME (for badge)	CALL	NO.	ADVANCE	DOOR
		REGISTRATION PKG. (Tech sessions, exhibits, banquet)	17.00	19.00
		BANQUET ONLY (not eligible for prizes)	12.00	
		REGISTRATION w/o BANQUET	5.00	7.00
		QCWA LUNCH/WAYNE GREEN (Not incl. in registration)	9.00	9.00
		FRI. NITE SEMINAR (If not registered for Convention)	1.50	1.50
REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY 6 JULY 1977. ADVANCE REGISTRATION CLOSING 6 JULY 1977.				

PLEASE PRINT

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

CHECK/M.O. FOR _____ ENCLOSED. MAKE PAYABLE TO SEA-Q-DX CONVENTION.
THANK YOU!

1977 SEA - Q - DX CONVENTION

July 29, 30, 31, 1977

SEATTLE.

FRIDAY

- 1:00 — 5:00 Registration at Washington Plaza
- 8:30 — 4:30 FCC EXAMS at Federal Office Bldg.
- 1:00 — 3:00 QCWA National and NW Chapter board meeting at Washington Plaza
- 3:00 — 3:50 QCWA Ladies' Social Hour at WP
- 2:00 — 4:00 NCC Seminar — "Introduction to Digital Logic and Analog Signaling", (MPU Primer) at Washington Plaza
- 6:00 — 8:00 QCWA Social Hour at Washington Plaza
- 7:00 — 9:00 NCC MPU Forum by Ted Nelson of "Computer Lib Dream Machines." Available to non-conv. registrants for \$1.50 at Seattle Center
- 7:00 — 9:00 AF MARS Conference begins at WP
- 8:00 — 8:45 QCWA Entertainment Hour at WP
- 8:45 — 9:00 QCWA Mass picture at WP
- 9:00 — 10:30 QCWA Dance at Washington Plaza

SATURDAY

DISPLAYS AND BANQUET AT SEATTLE CENTER

- 9:00 — 5:00 EXHIBITS — DISPLAYS OPEN AT SEATTLE CENTER
- 9:00 — 5:00 Registration at Seattle Center
- 9:00 — 9:50 Don Rieboff, CT4AT (Now K7ZZ) "Round the World DXing"
- 9:00 — 11:30 FCC EXAMS at Washington Plaza
- 9:00 — 10:50 QCWA sponsors National CW Contest at Seattle Center
- 9:00 — 10:50 AF MARS Conference at Washington Plaza
- 9:00 — 11:50 QCWA Annual Meeting at WP
- 9:00 — 10:00 YLRL Coffee Hour with Ellen White at Seattle Center
- 10:00 — 12:00 (approximate) OSCAR demonstration (AMSAT)
- 10:00 — 11:50 DX Club Antenna Design Seminar with Rush Drake, W7RM and Don Reynolds K7DBA at Seattle Center.
- 11:00 — 11:50 ARRL presentation by Ellen White, W1YL, "A Trip to Headquarters" at SC
- 12:00 — 2:00 QCWA Luncheon with Wayne Green, W2NSD; scheduled fee of \$9 at WP
- 12:00 — 12:50 DX Club Mini-Luncheon with Chip Margelli, K7VPF discussing Contest Station and System Design. (No Host) at SC
- 1:00 — 2:50 FCC Forum at Seattle Center
- 1:00 — 4:00 AF MARS Conference at Washington Plaza
- 1:00 — 1:50 DX Club presentation, ON4UN "Low Frequency DXing" at Seattle Center
- 1:00 — 1:50 NCC Computer Seminar, "The Computer" at SC
- 2:00 — ——— Continuation of Annual QCWA meeting at WP
- 2:00 — 2:50 ARRL Contest Forum by Ellen W1YL and Rick, WA7WXY
- 3:00 — 3:50 QCWA Seminar with Wayne Green, W2NSD, on Computers, at Seattle Center
- 3:00 — 3:50 DX Club presentation "World-Wide DXing", by WB7ABK at Seattle Center
- 3:00 — 3:50 NCC presentation, "A Real MPU" at SC
- 4:00 — 5:15 ARRL FORUM with ARRL President Harry Dannels, NW Div. Director Bob Thurston, and ARRL Deputy Comm. Mgr. Ellen White at SC
- 4:00 — 5:00 NCC Seminar, "How To Get Started", at SC
- 5:00 — ——— Attitude Adjustment Period (get ready for dinner-cash bar)
- 6:00 — 8:00 AF MARS Dinner at Edgewater Inn
- 6:00 — 8:00 SEA-Q-DX Banquet at Seattle Center
- 8:00 — 8:30 Introduction by Milt Furness, K7JKH (from KOMO TV) at banquet
- 8:30 — 9:00 SEA-Q-DX Guest Speaker, Armin Meyer, W3ACE, Ambassador to Japan, Iran and Lebanon.
- 9:30 — 10:00 WOUFF HONG with Doc Spike, W7OS at WP
- 10:30 — 12:00 Dance at Seattle Center
- 11:00 — ——— DX Club Blowout, somewhere at WP

SUNDAY

- 7:00 — 8:00 No Host Breakfast at Washington Plaza
- 8:00 — 9:00 Church
- 9:00 — 10:00 QCWA YLRL Coffee Hour with Ellen White at Washington Plaza
- 10:00 — 11:50 ARRL Public Service Forum, with Ellen White, Mary Lewis, W7QGP, and Bob Klepper, W7IEU, at Seattle Center
- 12:00 — 1:00 No Host Luncheon at Seattle Center
- 1:00 — 1:50 ARRL SSTV Technical Seminar with W7FEN at Seattle Center
- 1:00 — 1:50 PR Forum by John Brown W7CKZ at SC
- 1:00 — 5:00 NCC Intermediate Microprocessing displays with live MPU's, etc. at SC
- 2:00 — 2:50 VHF ARRL Forum at Seattle Center
- 3:00 — 3:50 ARRL SSTV Slideshow "SSTV Around the World", at Seattle Center
- 3:00 — 5:00 QCWA Seminar for CB'ers at SC (Introduction to Amateur Radio)
- 4:00 — 6:00 SEA-Q-DX DRAWING! at Seattle Center
- 6:00 — ——— K7YST goes on diet. Promises to lose 50 lbs.!

OFFICIAL RESULTS, 20th ANNUAL QCWA QSO PARTY

The 20th Annual QSO Party was sponsored by the Southern California Chapter. Scores presented herein are final. All of us thank the Chapter for its work, and especially that of Ralph Cabanillas, W6IL, Norm Henkel, K6BA and Bob Killion, W6PG for their efforts to make this one of the finest Parties ever. Special thanks to Herb Glead, W6FQ, who manned the commemorative W2MM for QCWA. His score is given, but does not count!

In the following tabulation, scores are listed by rank...and where more than one member had the same score, they are given the same rank number.

No.	Call	Score	No.	Call	Score	No.	Call	Score
1	N4IN	21840	38	W4ZC	6450	73	K4NE	4366
	W2MM*	18460	39	W5NW	6407	73	W5RC	4366
2	W6US	18414	40	VE3EJK	6394	74	W2DX	4360
3	W6UA	17808	41	W8MJG	6357	75	W7AHK	4320
4	K6FE	16848	42	W2AIM	6228	76	WB8UDY	4026
5	W4WKQ	16709	43	VE3BR	6200	77	W9RC	3944
6	K2DW	14892	44	K4JSG	6040	78	W8GP	3888
7	W5OB	14847	45	W2HI	6027	79	W9CRN	3811
8	K9CLO	13865	46	K5WK	6020	80	W0FUH	3780
9	W8KW	13083	47	W6FOJ	6006	81	W4ET	3675
10	W5JC	12903	48	K4RT	6000	82	W2EY	3648
11	W8EH	12336	49	W4BQE	5977	83	W0MW	3630
12	W9IB	12324	50	W5QF	5904	84	VE3JT	3564
13	W7OK	10764	51	K4EZH	5781	85	W5VL	3500
14	W5OGZ	10682	52	VE3DMC	5588	86	W9MKL	3465
15	W6MA	10143	53	W1GKJ	5586	87	K6PG	3434
16	KV4AB	10120	54	N5XA	5510	87	W7BMK	3434
17	W2GHV	10045	55	K4LMB	5460	87	W8EX	3434
18	K7BZ	9447	56	W2PQZ	5200	88	W7FL	3424
19	K5AK	9417	56	W0IH	5200	89	W0HWF	3384
20	W0DHN	9180	57	W0LVF	5187	90	W9LNL	3333
21	W0GDH	8987	58	W3NM	5166	91	VE3UD	3306
22	K4WQ	8712	59	W1HV	5143	92	W0CFU	3232
22	W5YZ	8712	60	W1WY	5069	93	W3SX	3200
23	W0AP	8686	61	W1AJ0	4961	94	W5IB0	3190
24	W7JSZ	8648	62	W2SF	4940	95	W9FDY	3185
25	K4TM	8140	63	W5BED	4921	96	W9HPG	3132
26	W3ABC	7744	64	W6IL	4860	97	W6FZX	3115
27	W2CVF	7700	65	VE0MD	4674	98	W4HVU	3102
28	W8CWY	7654	66	W3JXQ	4641	98	W7YEQ	3102
29	W4NH	7602	67	K5ET	4550	99	W8TPC	3094
30	W8QON	7568	67	W0DBC	4550	100	W1VH	3036
31	W6YH	7080	68	W4JCH	4536	101	W7FTX	3026
32	N6RF	7065	69	W6JU	4480	102	W9ZEN	3003
33	W8MD	6800	69	W7ENW	4480	103	W4TZG	2958
34	W9CAS	6762	70	JH1WIX	4422	104	W3UHV	2926
35	K2GH	6601	71	W1CNU	4410	105	W2VJP	2924
36	W9UJM	6579	72	W5NC	4386	106	W3EE	2912
37	W9WM	6570	72	W6BVM	4386	107	W1CT	2890
						108	W0ESN	2850

No.	Call	Score	No.	Call	Score	No.	Call	Score
109	W9RF	2821	144	W9GIL	1848	177	WA4EHD	1125
110	WØQI	2772	145	W7LQ	1836	178	W7TU	1122
111	W3AXA	2759	145	W8CCN	1836	179	W5BW	1078
111	WØVWJ	2759	146	W81HF	1800	180	WØEN	1060
112	VE3DH	2752	147	W20EQ	1764	181	K6SS	1050
113	W6PHE	2624	148	W2JBL	1701	182	W8AVH	1020
114	K7ZOK	2607	149	K2LG	1674	183	W3HGD	1008
115	K4PR	2560	150	DL7AR	1650	184	W9TNZ	990
115	K6EA	2560	150	WØJUJ	1650	185	W1JSM	968
116	W9WR	2550	151	W4QQ	1566	186	KL7MF	966
117	K6QM	2541	152	W9IDP	1512	187	W8KC	960
118	K7AA	2492	153	W7CJ	1488	188	W7RIR	943
119	W3CBF	2490	154	WA6TFR	1456	189	W6NKR	902
120	W2CUQ	2436	155	W9CIB	1440	190	K4WI	880
121	K9YHO	2409	155	W5QVZ	1440	190	W6LXZ	880
122	W2EWT	2400	156	W3QA	1428	191	W3TPW	858
123	W2JGR	2349	157	W4PEI	1425	192	WØCNY	851
123	W3ADE	2349	158	W8LD	1404	193	K2FJ	820
124	W7DB	2304	159	W6ZGM	1400	194	WØHA	800
125	WØMKP	2280	160	WØHG	1372	195	W4HHQ	777
126	W3HWZ	2272	161	W4OW	1365	196	W8CJT	770
127	W5CJZ	2250	162	W8DM	1350	197	W8AQ	760
128	VE3WB	2240	163	W8MAW	1334	197	W9DZG	760
129	W2NPT	2204	164	W7NIZ	1325	198	W9NN	731
130	W5LW	2133	165	K4EN	1320	199	WØWUU	714
131	W8ZAU	2128	166	W3WRX	1311	200	K6IT	702
132	W3HKS	2106	167	W9LRI	1288	201	K2KF	684
133	W3VW	2100	168	W5EIJ	1272	202	W8DIV	666
133	W5OP	2100	169	W2FFQ	1248	203	W5JHS	665
134	W4KMS	2040	169	W3PTV	1248	204	W2CYS	651
135	W7TO	2030	169	W5IRP	1248	205	VK2ADE	648
136	K4FCW	2016	169	W9GDI	1248	206	W5GPD	620
137	W4HIH	2000	170	W4KFC	1200	207	K4FTB	600
138	W2GP	1972	171	W2HXT	1196	208	W2VMH	561
139	W1TEE	1950	171	WØFQB	1196	209	W4PI	558
140	W8KWI	1890	172	KØKQ	1176	210	W5SQS	527
141	W2AOS	1876	172	WØBQ	1176	211	W7010	512
142	W7BCT	1863	173	W2FYA	1173	212	K2GT	494
143	N4FA	1860	174	W3RMQ	1170	212	W6EBX	494
			175	W9FFD	1155			
			176	W4BNU	1128			

Those QCWA members who want a QSL card from W2MM/6 contacted during the QCWA QSO Party in February 1977, see page 50 for information to whom requests should be sent.

No.	Call	Score	No.	Call	Score	No.	Call	Score
213	W1IUY	486	227	W4BK	286	243	W3CDQ	91
213	W6HPK	486	227	W9WIC	286	244	W3AKG	90
213	W6KZJ	486	228	W9RK	276	245	W7MKN	84
214	WØREP	480	229	W5URT	273	246	W2BVN	77
215	K4NR	476	230	W9BRX	266	247	W2PF	72
215	W6BYH	476	231	W6IFC	264	248	W60SD	45
216	W8ILC	468	232	W5UCY	228	249	W3UIU	42
217	W6CZL	450	233	W2DW	204	250	W70S	27
217	WØQAU	450	234	W5UAU	192	250	W7PX	27
218	WICTR	448	235	W3YD	187	251	K4GUS	25
219	W7IDZ	420	236	W2IP	180	252	W6BUK	24
220	W9FJE	414	237	K8UZ	176	253	KH6CZ	18
221	W2ZOJ	406	238	W3KW	170	254	W2SNJ	12
222	K6MO	390	238	K3USO	170	254	W8DVE	12
223	W6ATC	364	239	W2CO	160	254	W5EJ	12
224	W9MB	350	240	W7AIW	144	255	W6EKM	7
225	W4ZRJ	320	241	W8BCQ	143	256	K5BY	2
226	K1AC	300	242	W4HN	135	257	W6PA	1
						257	WØGCL	1

QSO PARTY COMMENTS

K9CLO - Had fun and enjoyed fine QSOs and excellent sportsmanship!
 W3VW - It was kind of a fun contest and met many old buddies.
 W2NPT - This ole boy (72 years young) had a good time, tnx.
 W8CCN - Thanks for a lively Party ---
 W2HXT - Wonderful time - great!
 W5QF - Made all QSO's on CW.
 JH1WIX - 73 to all QCWA members from Taroh
 K3USO - Enjoyed the QSO Party - thanks fellows
 K4PR - My best QCWA Party - most QSO's, easy and fun
 W5URT - Antenna problem put me off the air after 20 minutes (fell down?)
 KL7MF - Enjoyed the Party - wish could have participated more.
 W9RC - Fun as always, but missed W7AYO, K2EP and others.
 K6IT - Made 39 CW contacts, beat the OM by 38!
 W5GPD - An outstanding job, even a good solar flux
 VEØMD - On Board MV Ambrose Shea, ship out of service at Point Edward, NS
 K7ZOK - Blew HV xfmr in linear half hours after start, less QRM!
 K4NE - Good Party, rules simple this year
 W1AJO - One of best parties ever had, congrats to California gang.
 W7FTX - Had fun, wished could have been on more.
 W2FFQ - My first party, really enjoyed it.
 W3EE - Thanks for fine QSO Party
 W2CUQ - It was a fine contest
 W2SF - Unable put in much time, but it sure was fun.
 W5CJZ - All for fun, and a great time
 WØQI - Consider myself a winner in sense of fellowship.
 DL7AR - Poor condx to states, but good party..all CW contacts
 W9WR - A dandy party, but poor conditions for DX

These were only a few of the many comments received. The SOCIAL Committee thanks all who took part, and already we're looking forward to next year.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Joe Bonnett, WSIII (The eyes of Texas), has accepted the responsibility of Chairman for the tellers committee for the National QCWA Election, to take place during June & July, this year. Joe will select his Committee who will have the responsibility of counting the ballots cast by members in the election. Ballots will be mailed to Headquarters, using Official ballot envelopes. They will be held, unopened, for the tellers. It is expected that ballots will be sent by first class mail on approximately June 10, 1977. The polls will remain open until July 20, 1977. Ballots will be tallied immediately thereafter, and a written report of the results, certified by the Committee, will be sent to QCWA President Frank Gunther, with a copy to the Executive Secretary, who will attempt notification of all candidates, of the final tally, by telephone, on July 23, 1977. This unusually tight scheduling is necessary because of the requirement that petitions for nomination by members must be accepted at least 60 days prior to the Annual Board meeting. Acceptance will be for all petitions having a postmark no later than May 30, 1977. Ballots are to be prepared as soon thereafter, as possible, but no later than June 6, they will be then printed and mailed as near June 10, as possible.

ADDRESS LABELS WITH KEY LETTER (F)

In our jargon, F stands for QCWA members whose mail must be sent by means other than bulk-mail. These are addresses outside the 48 contiguous states. If your address has the letter (F), please examine the address as written, and if not fully adequate to get proper mail delivery, please write to us. List Street address, City, State, zip-code, if any, and country, in a way acceptable to your postal service, and in a way we can understand it and get it into the computer. Abbreviate, and get everything as concise as possible, because computer space is at a premium.

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY

The 1978 Annual QSO Party will need a sponsor next February. We would sure like to have a few Chapters to consider taking on the job.

Plans need to be made, rules for the contest, and so forth...so, it's really not too early.

W5EJ

ON DUES

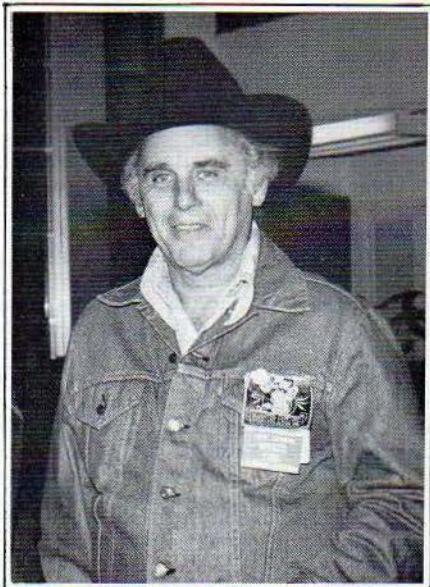
Since the first of the year, nearly, we have sent out approximately 1500 notices of DUZRDU. Most members have been cooperative, and have paid up, even though they were paying \$14 and had they paid before April 1, it would have been \$10. A few have not liked it a bit and accused us of being dishonest, and withholding the notices until after April 1. We are certain that we can't change their minds, but it wasn't true. We just went through the entire 8000 names, one-by-one, starting with "A" down to "Z"...The work took many hours & and was just finished, April 28..It is a fact that QCWA has never sent dues notices..it is too expensive.. The cost to send a simple mailing to 3000 members annually is over 1250 dollars. Until this time, all dues expired on December 31 of the third anniversary of your membership. At this time, dues expire 36 months fm date of payment. Your label shows the expiration date..watch them and it will save QCWA many dollars each year.

A MESSAGE FROM HARRY S. GARTSMAN,
Vice President of QCWA &
Candidate for the Office of
PRESIDENT

It has been my privilege, during the past decade, to serve in QCWA, first as a Director, elected while there was a flurry of expansionist activity in the late 1960's, then as the elected Vice President serving with Barry Goldwater & Frank Gunther. Under the circumstances of my election, and being the very first Director elected from California, I felt that I was obligated to work for changes in the way the Board administered QCWA affairs.

In those years members were discussing the desirability of increasing the number of Directors in QCWA from 5 to 11, thus providing for a Director from each call area in the US and one Director to represent members living outside the U.S.. It was believed this action would make the Board more responsive to area problems. I soon learned that the Board of that period was fully aware of this activity, as well as other matters deemed important to QCWA. As a neophyte Director, I found that my ideas were considered, but only in light of the experience of those with many more years in QCWA than I. I can say now, in retrospect, that that Board, and all others with which I have been associated since, entered into lengthy and enthusiastic discussion on this and all other matters affecting the welfare of QCWA, and I am firmly convinced that they acted in the best interests of our group, even though I may have disagreed with some actions. As I have gained experience in QCWA, and have become a veteran Director, I am better able to survey the immediate future and am very certain that the time for the acceptance of new ideas is upon us, and I believe that under my leadership, the new Board can and will act in the best interests of all QCWA members, and will have a receptive ear for the ideas of all members.

In recent years my extensive travels throughout the world have brought me into personal contact with many men and women, important in industry & the Military. My personal relationship with these people permits me to discuss the contribution of Amateurs to the welfare of people throughout the world. I can, and have carried the story of goodwill that exists between Amateurs regardless of their nationality. We are all aware of the spirit of cooperation that exists between us...we must make leaders of other nations aware of this fraternalism that transcends national boundaries...thus helping to gain their cooperation in international councils which will deal with our future. It has been my pleasure to visit amateurs in all parts of the world, many have become close personal friends, and members of QCWA as a result. I shall continue in these efforts. It is my plan to attend the Geneva Conference and to bring a first-person report of deliberations home to all QCWA members.



In recent years we have all witnessed the growth of QCWA. One must conclude that our image among Amateurs is prestigious and desirable, and that the efforts of our members, supported by responsible Officers and Directors have brought about this richly earned recognition. I am proud to have been a small part in the recent development of QCWA. I hope that you will see fit to allow me to actively lead QCWA in its important work ahead.

In closing, let me say that, if elected, my aim will be to advance the standing of QCWA as an Organization and force to be reckoned with, and that I will re-double my efforts to increase our prestige in National and International councils dealing with the affairs of Amateur Radio. To this end, the voice of all will be heard and considered by the governing body of QCWA!

s/Harry S. Gartsman
W6ATC

A NEW SERVICE - As many members know, one of the provisions of the Constitution and by-laws of QCWA prevents Headquarters from printing or providing address labels, or addressed envelopes except by the express direction of the President of QCWA, through the Board. We are, however, able to provide a service, of somewhat limited scope, but which will be of great help to Chapter Secretaries. Beginning at this time, Headquarters can provide to any Chapter Secretary, upon his written request, a list of members in his immediate area. These will be provided under the following circumstances:

1. Receipt of a letter, signed by the Chapter Secretary, that requests a copy of members within his immediate area.
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3. The letter shall state that the list is not to be used by anyone other than the Chapter in pursuit of its regular operation.
4. The range of zip-code numbers desired will be provided in the request, consisting of the first 3 numbers of the zip-code such as, 430 through 433. These would stand for zips 43000 through 43399.

The list is free, allow a few days to obtain the xerox copies, and we would appreciate an SASE, just to save Office time.

- w5EJ -

Please note the mailing label. You will find a new format, especially the EXPIRATION DATE of your membership. The top line shows CALL, QCWA number, EXP DATE, KEY. Expiration date in Month and Year. Key is to indicate Domestic or Foreign and Award, see page 15. PLEASE check this label carefully for name, address and any item shown for correctness and advise us as soon as possible of any errors so the computer tape can be updated for the printing of the new Call Sign Directory this winter.

Ad Hoc Committee For An Alternate Slate

STU MEYER, W2GHK/4

for PRESIDENT of QCWA, Inc.

To- ALL QCWA MEMBERS

We are a group of QCWA members with a concern for the future of our Quarter Century Wireless Association.

Our Platform is:

- IMPROVED Communications between Board and the entire membership.
- INCREASED membership participation in determining the administration and policies of QCWA.
- EXPANDED dissemination of information relative to FCC plans and policies affecting Amateur Radio and in particular, members of QCWA.
- IDENTIFICATION of technology that can better serve QCWA members as well as all of Amateur Radio.
- SHARING our knowledge, experience and capability with all members of the Amateur Radio Fraternity for its increased stature and longevity.

As a first step in the implementation of the above platform, we have identified Stuart Meyer, W2GHK/4 of Vienna (Virginia) as a qualified candidate for the office of President of QCWA. Stu has agreed to run for this office and has the required number of petition signatures which have been forwarded to the QCWA Secretary for certification.

Joe Hertzberg, N3EA (formerly K3JH) has decided to run for Vice President and Stu endorses him as a running mate.

Note: Stuart Meyer, W2GHK/4, has been nominated for the Office of President of QCWA, in accordance with the Constitution and by-laws of QCWA. His candidacy has been certified by Corporate Secretary, Don Meserve, WØHG.

- Ed. -

STU MEYER, W2GHK/4

Life Member #2039

for PRESIDENT of QCWA, Inc.

Stu's Amateur Radio activity started in 1933 and he has continuously held the same call. His involvement in Amateur Radio beyond merely operating on the ham bands started as President of the Curtis High School Radio Club and later as President of the Staten Island Amateur Radio Association. Since that time he has developed a continuous record of Amateur Radio participation and involvement. He is the President of NOVARC - the Northern Virginia Amateur Radio Council and is a past Chairman of an ARRL Convention in addition to a number of Roanoke Division Conventions. He is a recipient of the "DX Hall of Fame Award" and many others in both the Communications Industry and Amateur Radio.

Most recently, he received the IEEE "Chapter of the Year" award for outstanding performance as Chairman of the Washington, DC Vehicular Technology Group.

He has held a number of Engineering and Managerial positions in the communications industry and has been associated with such famous HAM trade names as HAMMARLUND, AMECO, and GONSET.

We, the Ad Hoc Committee for an Alternate Slate are now in the process of identifying other well qualified candidates for the other officer positions as well as members of the Board of Directors.

JOE HERTZBERG, N3EA (formerly K3JH) has received Stu's endorsement as a running mate. Joe is a highly qualified candidate for this position and has a wealth of managerial expertise. Last year he received the coveted "Amateur of the Year" award at the Dayton Hamvention.

The Ad Hoc Committee for an Alternate Slate welcomes the opportunity to work with other individuals and groups for the future welfare and growth of QCWA.

For additional information, we encourage you to write to:

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If you are interested in providing this service for QCWA, write to Headquarters. You'll have your own column, your name on the front page and little else to show for your work, except appreciation of those you are serving.

- WSEJ -

YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED... that prices for supplies keep edging upward. We don't like it either...the banners now cost us \$80...pins have gone up 20%, and engraving is going up. It seems that every day someone writes a letter to us indicating that on a certain day, prices will increase.. We're trying to hold the line, and we will, as much as possible.

Gus Girona, W2JE, erstwhile Manager of QCWA still receives QCWA mail. Every once in a while Gus will send us a batch of mail received at his home QTH, Mamaroneck. Gus worked long and hard for QCWA, and we will always be glad to hear from him, and to see him whenever possible. For those who ask, I understand that Gus is getting along well, and that his bowling average is rising, just a little bit! Now, don't you all get to thinking that fishermen are the only ones who can prevaricate!! But, all kidding aside, Gus and his Frances are great people, visit them whenever you possibly can. -WSEJ-

LABELS, MEMBERSHIP DATA, ROSTERS, DUES EXPIRATION, ET CETERA:

In December, 1976, our first efforts to use computer labels turned into a disaster. We had expected it, and sure enough, we got it. Since that time we have spent many hours getting into a new computer situation and have installed a CRT terminal at headquarters. When the membership data is completely renovated, we will expect to input all data on a one time a week basis. The format for labels has been changed, and from now on labels will be made as follows:

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H. R. Ellington
2980 West 235th Str. #13
Torrance, CA 90505

For members without US zip codes

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Harry W. S. Caldecott
8 Seaview Str
Balgowlah, NSW 2093
Australia

For each type, the upper line consists of the Prime call-letters for the member followed by the membership number in QCWA; the next indicates the expiration date of membership, with expiration at the end of the month indicated; The last is a code for sorting, D stands for Domestic, which is our terminology for members with US zip codes. F stands for foreign, again standing for those without US zip codes. Following the code letter, and there are several others (Z = Complimentary issues of the newsletter mailed; H = Honorary Members; X = dues expired, member no longer serviced by QCWA; et cetera) you will find, for the present, if applicable one of 3 characters, either 5 C or 6. The 5 indicates that the member has been issued the Golden 50 Year Certificate. C indicates that the member has been issued the Golden 50-Year Continuously Licensed Certificate. 6 indicates that the member has been issued the Golden 60 Year Certificate. Note that only one character is printed, and the rank is 5, C, 6.

The computer will sort all members with a "D" arrange them in zip-code order and print labels in 4 minutes.

One serious problem we have found is lack of information on the silent-key members. As a result, we are going to go back to the first, with all records available, and enter all members, with their last known address, silent keys, and all...and make the entire roster in one contiguous list in the computer. Presumably the numbers will all tally, and at this moment there would be 11,516 (March 26, 1977)...actually, we are certain that is will not happen, since members have provided us with absolute proof that they have had more than 1 number, and at present we are unable to resolve the problem. Eventually we will have answers for the problem, but maybe no solutions. Never the less, a complete roster is a must, for searching records, etc. In years past silent key members cards were removed from the live file...many have been lost, or for some reason are unavailable, leaving a void that is intolerable. We're sure working on it.

Lest you wonder, when the 1978 Roster is printed, we will draw off the silent keys by their code letter (s)...and they will not appear in any printed document other than a listing of the silent keys. But they will appear in the official computer list of all members from #1 to the very moment, which is held in the office for reference at all times. We sort of figured you'd like to know what we're trying to do here...that's it!

CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION, 1977

In accordance with the Constitution and by-laws of QCWA, President Frank Gunther named a nominating committee, headed by Mark Devaney, to provide a slate of candidates for election to office in QCWA. Mark Devaney, Treasurer of QCWA, had announced that he was not a candidate for re-election to any office in QCWA. The Committee consisted of: Ralph Cabanillas, Jr., W6IL; Capt. Robert B. Conaughty, K4OQ; and, C. F. Montemayor, W5YZ. After due deliberation, the Committee, through its Chairman, announced a slate of candidates. The list was published in the December, 1976 QCWA newsletter.

Since December, a number of interested QCWA members have formally and informally made it known that they intended to provide additional candidates for all offices in QCWA through the provisions of the Constitution which authorize nominations by means of member petition. Dead-lines for publication of the newsletter has been provided to all known to be interested in these activities. It was urged that nominations be made in time for inclusion in this letter. As we have reached the deadline for material (April 30, 1977) we have received one petition for nomination. The Chicago Area Chapter, through its Ad Hoc Committee has transmitted a petition nominating Stu Meyer, W2GHK (3029) to the office of President of QCWA. The nominating document sent to Corporate Secretary Don Meserve, WØHG, was checked and approved by the Secretary.

The following is the list of candidates for Office, in QCWA, as it exists on May 1, 1977. Headquarters has been advised that candidates nominated by petition are clearly marked so that members at large will know all candidates so nominated. Accordingly, in the following list, we have shown all candidates so nominated with an asterik, and suitable foot-note.

OFFICERS

Harry S. Gartsman, W6ATC	President
Stu Meyer, W2GHK*	President
Hal Sears, W5NC	Vice President
G. D. Meserve, WØHG	Secretary
Arthur M. Monsees, W4BK	Treasurer

DIRECTORS

(Five to be elected)

Henry Harley, VE3BR	
Art E. Miligan, W8KW	
Nathaniel Pfeffer, W2AIM	*Nominated by petition
Delmar W. Rowe, W7EDT	
Clarence Seid, W2KW	
Lewis W. Sieck, K4NE	
Hugh A. Turnbull, W3ABC	

Secretary Meserve has notified interested parties that nominations by petition will be accepted for the ballot if postmarked no later than May 30, 1977.

The above list, together with any additional nominations qualifying under the Constitutional requirements will be included on the ballot to be prepared and mailed about June 10, 1977.

All members are urged to appraise themselves of the candidates and to vote their preference in the June/July election.

METRO NEW YORK CHAPTER QCWA

David Winter, W2AUF, Secretary
8426 87th Street
Woodhaven, NY 11421

The first meeting of the year, at Luchow's, was a joint affair with the Radio Club of America. The meeting was called to order by W1GUW, as President..while luncheon was served, Sam, W2JGD passed out tickets for the prize raffle. Dinners were won by K2GZ and W2KW. It was announced that Nat, W2AIM had been appointed as assistant Secretary of Radio Club of America. Charles Kahn, K2GZ was congratulated on his 86th birthday. A new slate of Officers were announced as follows:

W1GUW, Chairman;
W2QU, Vice Chairman
W2AUF, Secretary-Treasurer
W2AIM, Activities Manager
W2JGD, W2FWA, K2GZ, W2AVI & W2AIM
were named Directors

The proposed amendment to the QCWA Constitution was discussed, raising the room temperature noticeably. W2ALS noted that the Board were all Amateurs, and without horns and pronged tails, and were thinking of QCWA and the best for all of Amateur Radio. Ralph, W2CVF, commented that the Board had voted to request IRS non-profit status during the 1973 Convention, and nothing had been done.

It was announced that George Bailey, W2KH, was a SK. George was truly a distinguished man, President of ARRL 1940-1952, Chairman of the National Research Council during World WarII, Executive Secretary of IRE-IEEE, & had received a Certificate of Merit from President Truman, a recipient of the Marconi Medal from VWOA, as well as holding other positions of honor and responsibility in QCWA and associated Electronic Organizations.

The Speaker of the meeting was Joel Heitner, W1EPX, President of CCU, designers of equipments for prevention of burglary and to assist in fire prevention.

"It was suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to Dave Talley, W2PF, who is moving to Florida." W2PF is one of the founders and guiding lights of QCWA which originated in the now METRO CHAPTER. He is also very active in many other radio Ham and professional organizations.

- W2AUF -

NEBRASKA CHAPTER

Bob Rudd, WØMW
109 North McCabe Ave
North Platte, NB 69101

The Chapter meeting, held early in December was attended by 31 members and their guests. First order of business was setting up a committee to tally the votes in the recent election. The need for additional NCS stn for the QCWA net was voiced, with WØRHS and WØJUU volunteering as alternates for WØAP and WØMW. Old man murphy made his presence known as WØAP attempted to present a 16 mm film depicting the beginning of Amateur radio, as we OT knew it, but, no one knew how to run the rented projector and so reminiscing was foiled.

WØFQB and YF supplied a miniature "Ming Tree" for a ladies door-prize drawing which was won by the YF of KØBRS. WØAMY received his Golden Anniversary Award, and WØEDI is applying for the Award too. WØEN, ex-9AIJ and ex-WØEN, now resides in Omaha following retirement from Ma Bell. and has joined the Nebraska Chapter.

- WØMW -

UPPER MIDWEST CHAPTER QCWA

Baldwin Hallaway, WØJD, Secretary
6101 France Avenue South,
Minneapolis, MN 55410

The first meeting of the Chapter for 1977 was held January 20, at Toni's M & M Supper Club, with 56 hardy souls attending on that cold & wintry night. John Fox, WØLER, held the attention of the group with his slide illustrated story of the Oscar and Amstat programs. All in attendance had a much better idea of what it takes and how the programs are being accomplished through the efforts of manufacturers, Amateurs from around the world, and NASA, who gets it off the ground. Clyde Norton, WØLEA, received his 50 year continuous service award, and was one of the Charter members of the Chapters formation. It was announced that John C. Fisher, WØCEA had passed on...he will be missed. Final meetings for 1977 will be March 24 and May 19.



In the picture above, L-R are: Charlie Compton, WØBUO presenting the to years ARRL plaque to Bob Aldrich, WØJVM. Photo by Gar Anderson, WØKE.

DALLAS CHAPTER QCWA

The joing meeting held March 5 brought together 71 QCWA members and friends. A good bunch of pals from Tyler and Houston, as well as Austin were in attendance. Ben Holloman's travelogue on his trip to Djakarta was most interesting. A good bunch of QCWA members were in attendance at the DARC Old-Timers meeting held April 5...and we were pleased to see a few members who don't attend Chapter meetings too well. The Chapter is busy getting together a slate of candidates for Officers and Directors, and the election will be held soon, with newly elected officers taking over on July 1, 1977. Joe Bonnett, W5III prepared a copy of the Dallas Chapter Constitution and by-laws, which were sent to each member recently.

All members are requested to inspect the mailing label used to transmit your issue of the News this time. We've gotten away from that code-mess that appeared in the December, 1976 newsletter, and if you will look now, you'll see that on the top line of the label, your call, your membership number and the date of membership expiration appear plainly. If your label shows something like APR79, that simply means that your dues are paid up through the month of April, 1979. We will not make special mailings, because of expense, and urge that you watch the label so that you can send in dues in time. Thank you all very much.

HOUSTON CHAPTER QCWA After the wonderful convention Houston put together for us last October, the Chapter has set back on its laurels and is taking a well deserved rest (We've heard that part you sit on called almost everything but 'laurels' - but depend on Houston for something new. The gang is on the air, hear yp, kv, nc, etc., most every morning on 3835..So, we're going to use the Houston space to feature a few real nice people loved by all of Texas, as well as Houston:

At right are:

Johnny Bruemmer, W5LVE and Frances, W5KQG. One of the popular families of South Texas... They're at home in San Antonio..but welcome anywhere in Texas.

Thanks for the space Houston!

Picture by Monty, W5YZ.



AKRON OHIO CHAPTER QCWA

For Info contact: Roy J. Geis, WA8ZFC,
226 E. Linwood Ave.
Akron, OH 44301 Scty.

Next Scheduled meeting, April 28, 1977

The Chapters quarterly dinner meeting was held at Young's restaurant on Thursday, January 27, 1977 with 34 in attendance in spite of severe wx. The evenings entertainment was provided by Bill Dial, W8BFH who traveled extensively in Japan, with his YL Dorothea. Beautiful slides showing their "Days and Evenings in Japan" was enjoyed by all.

The business portion of the meeting saw election of Officers for 1977 & the following were elected to serve:

Sidney Ehrlich, W8JL, President;
Perry Towne, WB8IZJ, Vice President; Roy Geis, WA8ZFC, Scty/Treasurer.

The membership votes its thanks to the outgoing officers and expressed its appreciation for a job well done. The Chapter has grown, and plans for that trend to continue. There are some fine plans ahead for entertainment. At the April meeting the Chapter will celebrate its 9th anniversary. Hats were tipped to Bob Vaughan, W8KJZ for his fine photographs. The Chapter indicated that a sizeable group plans to attend the Dayton Hamvention, and the QCWA activities that will be carried on there.

The picture at the right is that of Bill Dial, W8BFH, who presented the evenings pgm



CITRUS CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: Bill Waldo, W4PI, Secty
3316 Clemwood Dr
Orlando, FL32803

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The Chapter's Feb. 12 meeting was the largest, in attendance ever held, with 150 members, guests and Ladies present. The visitors ranged from Canada, Michigan, Tenn, VA and Puerto Rico. The meeting featured talks by George Sperry, W4UKA and Bob David, W4YK. It was announced that Bill Symons was going to move to NC...the Chapter wishes Bill good luck, and he will be missed! Election of Officers will be the order of business at the April 23 meeting.



In the pix, L-R are: Bill Waldo, W4PI; Jeanne Waldo, his Lady then Helen Sperry and George Sperry, W4UKA, Chairman of the Florida QCWA Council, and in the distance, Bob David, W4YK

EVERGLADES CHAPTER QCWA

George Papamarcos, W4LIP, Secretary
2841 SW 5th Street
Boynton Beach, FL 33435

The Chapters December 4, 1976

Meeting saw election of a new

slate of Officers for 1977. Those elected are:

John Glauber, W4OB, Chairman

George Papamarcos, W4LIP, Secretary/Treasurer

Floyd Lindsey, K4MV, Vice Chairman

Directors elected were:

Edwin Stolzenberger, WB4ODL and Edmund Weller, K4GYZ. Everglades is one of the active Chapters, with a regular newsletter sent about each month. On the 2nd of April, 1977, a meeting was held at the Ft. Lauderdale Sweden House, with 39 members and guests present. Guests introduced were: Tom Banks, KP4CH and family; Tom McNulty, W3ZG; and Jim Mayberry, W4GU.

Members discussed the coming election of National Officers, and some of the members expressed concern over reduction of the National newsletter from 4 to 3 issues annually. It was felt that with sufficient drive, it might be possible, through acceptance of advertising, to get publication of the News back to 4 times annually.

Editors note: Advertising is beginning to come in - we believe you're right...support our advertisers and push for others to participate.

SUNFLOWER CHAPTER QCWA

The Sunflower Chapter reports its election of officers, with those elected being:

Bryce Bandy, WØPF, President

Richard Caspari, WØYZB, Secretary-Treasurer

E. D. (Red) Dinsmore, WAØLYX, Director

Activities for the Chapter during 1977 will be carried out in four meetings, one in March, which has passed, and the next in June, at the Central Kansas Amateur Radio Club hamfest at Salina. It was announced that the ARRL Midwest Convention Committee had contacted the Sunflower Chapter, requesting them to sponsor an Antique Wireless Display, a QCWA booth, and a one-hour program on "Getting Started in Amateur Radio."...

The Chapter will work with the Committee, for the October ARRL Convention, and will sponsor a 9AM Breakfast, Saturday, October 8. Red Dinsmore was named Chairman of the group to produce the antique display, & Paul Lundgren, WØIJV agreed to undertake the portion of the program on Getting started...It was decided to ask for materials for the booth from headquarters. These will be supplied.



In the picture at the left are shown the Officers for 1977.

L-R are:

E. D. Dinsmore,
WAØLYX

Carl Hall, WØHF

Bryce Bandy, WØPF

Richard Caspari,
WØYZB.

SUNCOAST CHAPTER QCWA

We haven't received anything from Suncoast for quite a while, but we have some material that is of interest...written in September, 1976, is a story about the Treasurer, "Honest" Elmer Enke., K4YC...Elmer was born in the "Windy City" of Chicago, and received his first license in 1924.. 9VJ. He worked for Bremer Tulley, Silver Marshall, All American Radio, who manufactured receivers and radio parts for the broadcast industry. Their specialty was A-battery eliminators, this was in the 1920's. In 1920 Elmer was in Hawaii, installing the first sound pictures - he remembers the date because on his way back to the mainland, the Wall Street Crash was announced by the ships news. (He's right, we remember it because of "The Blue Angel" featuring Marlene Dietrich, in 1929)...Ed. Back home, Elmer went to work as service man for the Harrison Mail Order House. After that he spent 20 years in Skokie, IL, as sound engineer for all local motion picture theaters. In 1948, he joined Chicago's WGN, as a projectionist, where he worked for 22 years before retiring in 1970. He couldn't enjoy loafing, so spend a few more years as a movie operator in Evanston, IL. Then, Elmer and Bernice moved to Sarasota, where W9VJ became K4YC. One of Elmer's buddies at WGN was none other than our own Bob Baird..W9NN.

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Election Notice: Remember, in June you will receive a ballot for the 1977 Election of Officers. Watch for it, mark it and return at once!

MOHAWK VALLEY CHAPTER OF QCWA

Hugh Siegel, K2CP wrote a nice bit of news just at the end of 1976. It was too late for the December News, but we're glad we've got it now....

Hugh makes the point that we should make some effort, and if possible, arrange a plan for reporting to all Chapters on a periodic basis, new members to QCWA, in their area. We can see the value of this, and will work toward that end. It may be that we can publish them in the News but it could run to as many as 300 to 400, and that would take several pages...let us know if you think it worth the work and space.

New Officers for the Chapter were elected during the November 6, 1976 meeting, and are:

Robert E. Brown, W2CCA, Chm
George Bennison, W2IXR, Scty/Tr.

The spring meeting was set for May 7...just about the time this News letter is being mailed.

Welcome to the new Officers, and thanks to those who have worked in the past year for the Chapter and for QCWA.

REPLIES TO JACK ANDERSON

We are pleased to include in this issue, material of interest to all QCWA members and Amateurs. Recently, Jack Anderson published a story which, at best, glossed over the contributions of Amateur Radio to the welfare of men, and at best was disparaging to us as a group. He was, of course, appealing to the mass of people who are now "CB" addicts, and who have no interest or knowledge regarding international agreements governing radio allocations problems. Certainly, neither he, or they, have any knowledge of Amateur traditions, nor apparently any interest in them, either.

We have come upon two documents the past few days, written as answers to the Anderson story. One, written by John McKinney, W0AP, & the other written by Nat Pfeffer, W2AIM. John is Engineer in Charge of the FCC Grand Island Monitoring Station, in Nebraska...and Nat is a resident of New York City, being an Attorney, by training. We are of the opinion that their remarks in rebuttle of the Anderson story are worth printing. Thanks to Nat and John, and to the Grand Island Nebraska Independent, for permission to publish the "Other Side of the Coin."

ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW!

From the pages of the Grand Island Nebraska Independent.

By JOHN MCKINNEY

Jack Anderson, "Fight Looms Over Use of the Airwaves," again shows his ignorance and lack of proper research before opening his mouth! Like all muckrakers, in his haste to fill a column he fails to get his facts straight beforehand and presents only one side of an argument, his side!

Mr. Anderson does not point out that the amateur radio operators are a trained, technical group, licenses by most countries of the world after qualifying themselves by a written examination given by their respective governments and based on international treaties between the states. Amateur frequencies are set aside by international agreement and reviewed at telecommunication conferences held every few years. It is not within the power of the F.C.C. to re-allocate these frequencies for other than amateur radio use except by agreement with the other powers at the international conference.

The present band of frequencies used by Citizen Band operators was set aside internationally for use of experimental, medical machines (diathermy, etc.) and other uses subject to whatever interference might be experienced by the user. It was sort of a "trash band." In the United States, it was so designated and amateurs were allowed to use this 11 meter band in addition to their 10 meter band for many years, subject of course to the interference from experimental devices, diathermy and what-have-you.

As it was an undesirable band the amateurs failed to make much use of these frequencies and the F.C.C. redesignated the 11 meter band as a Citizens Band, still subject to any interference that might be received. It stands that way today.

The original intent of the F.C.C. in establishing a 27 MHz (11 meter) Citizen Band was for a low-cost personal radio service for two-way communication of a business nature, not as a second hobby type service. Power was limited to five watts input and antenna height to 20 feet to keep the radiated signals from causing undue interference to other countries and to make maximum use of the available channels within this country.

The story of CB radio in the U.S. is well known by now. It has grown into a lawless group who defy the rules and regulations of the licensing authority and have set up their own standards of operation. It is not uncommon to find CB transmitters operated with 1000 watts of power, many of these on frequencies far removed from the channels assigned the service. CB operators have blanketed their neighborhoods with television interference causing the viewing public endless distress.

The Commission recently increased the number of CB channels to 40 from 23 such channels. This number of channels is entirely sufficient to handle the 20 million or more CBers if the channels were properly used in the spirit they were created for and with equipment limited to five watts of input power to a small antenna. The assignment of further spectrum space is not only unnecessary but a waste of a natural resource notwithstanding a violation of international agreement.

I do not mean to imply that all users of CB radio are lawless. I only point out that the incidence of lawlessness is very high. Like in any group, the violent ones overshadow the majority. The problem with CB has been the large numbers of rank violators.

Mr. Anderson speaks derogatorily of the American Radio Relay League, calling it a "lobbying group." The A.R.R.L. has always been the backbone of amateur radio, not only in this country but throughout the world. A non-profit organization, it is the amateur's organization "of, by and for the amateur." Not only does the League represent us nationally and internationally but it sets forth a code of ethics by which we live and operate our amateur stations. Would that the CBER had such an organization from the outset. The League is virtually as old as radio itself and it might be well to note that amateur radio is the oldest radio service.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. McKinney signed this, "Proud to Be an Amateur," with his station's call letters. He said he wrote it in that capacity. However, he has a little more knowledge of the subject than that implies. He happens to be the engineer in charge of the Federal Communications Commission's monitoring station in Grand Island, which is charged with monitoring all broadcast frequencies 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to insure that there is no misuse of them.)

The Publisher
New York Daily News
220 East 42nd Street
New York, N. Y. 10017

Sir:

The Daily News of April 4, 1977, carried a column by Jack Anderson and Les Whitten entitled "Hams Hogging the Air Waves." The tenor of the article was that the Federal Communications Commission has teamed up with amateur radio operators (hams) to unfairly and underhandedly keep Citizen band operators (CBers) stifled by refusing to take frequencies from the hams and give them to the CBers. Mr. Anderson makes certain definite statements, cites figures and accuses by innuendo to make his case. Each and every statement, figure and innuendo is completely false. Let us take his words verbatim:

Statement: "The air waves have become so crowded that the CB industry has appealed for more frequencies..."

Fact: The Communication Act covering CB operation limits their transmitter power to 5 watts. The original purpose of CB operation was for a short distance utilitarian communication system to help the farmer, the businessman, professional man, et cetera. A power of 5 watts is sufficient for this purpose. However, the great majority of CBers constantly violate this limitation by using illegal amplifiers of much higher power, in some instances up to 5000 watts. These high-power signals travel all over the U. S., and as a result, CBers constantly jam each other. If the manufacturers of CB equipment did not make available to, and the CB operators did not use these illegally high power amplifiers, the presently authorized 40 channels would be sufficient.

Statement: "These...more frequencies...would have to be taken from the radio operators..."

Fact: Frequencies are allocated by the various countries, including the U. S. in accordance with the allocations set up by the International Telecommunications Union, an arm of the United Nations. This is required to prevent chaos in the worldwide lines of communications services, since radio waves respect no nations boundary lines. All frequency bands assigned for amateur use are specifically provided for by this International convention to which nearly every nation is a signatory. Amateur radio is defined and included in the frequency tables of the ITU..CB radio, per se, does not appear in those tables. Further, why assume that the Amateur service would have to provide these extra frequencies? Other services have frequencies which could provide extra CB channels, if it could be found desirable to expand the CB spectrum.

Statement: "The 300,000 hams have 100 times more air-space than is available to the 9 million CB enthusiasts."

Fact: CB has 40 channels in the HF range totalling 0.41 MHz. Amateur radio has 6 separate bands in the HF range totalling 3.4 MHz. This is a ratio of 8.5 to 1, not 100 to 1. If we include the 3 VHF amateur bands then the ratio becomes 40 to 1, still not 100 to 1. It must also be noted that the amateur 1.8-2 MHz band is shared by Loran radionav, and other services. Likewise the 220-225 VHF band is shared with radio-location services. The 7.1 - 7.3 band is shared with foreign short-wave broadcasters, and is so polluted as to be almost useless for amateur communications.

Statement: "The hams also have a lock on the higher frequencies which are free from interference."

Fact: There are amateur bands in the UHF and SHF ranges starting with the 420-450 MHz band, and going up to above 90 gigahertz. All of these are shared with other governmental services and at present are primarily experimental areas. If history repeats itself, just as soon as Amateurs prove the practicability of these frequencies they will be pre-empted by other interests. A lock indeed! a lock which can be opened by envious moneyed interests!

Statement: "The hams now control more frequencies than all the nation's police and fire departments combined, plus all the TV stations on the VHF channels in the Los Angeles and New York City areas."

Fact: The public safety services (Police, Fire, Highway, Forestry and Emergency services) have various HF and VHF channels from 1.665 to 156.25 MHz, totalling 25.244 MHz. The Commercial and educational FM broadcasters have 100 channels from 88 to 108 MHz, or a total of 20 MHz. The VHF TV channels in the LA and NYC areas are channels 2,3,5,7,9,11 & 13, a total of 42 MHz. The sum total of these frequencies is 87.224 MHz. The total amateur frequencies in the HF and VHF ranges, shared and exclusive totals but 16.6 MHz. Thus, these other services have over 5 times as many frequencies as the amateurs. If one were to include the UHF TV frequencies of 470-890 MHz, as well as the amateur UHF band of 420-450 MHz, then the other services named would have almost 11 times the spectrum space than is given to amateurs!

Statement: "The telecommunications policy makers at the white house have quietly notified the FCC ... there would be no objections to expanding the airways for the CB users ... the Commission has refused to take the hint ... one reason may be that the CB radio is regulated by officials, who according to a confidential report 'have traditionally been hams.'"

Fact: The FCC is composed of 7 commissioners appointed by the President of the U. S. with the approval of the Senate. These commissioners are traditionally from the legal field, business world, educational field, public foundation sphere, etc. Not one of the present commissioners is or has ever been a ham. In its entire existance since its inception in 1934, there have been but 2 or 3 commissioners who had been hams. There has not been a ham on the Commission for many years. Small wonder that Mr. Anderson's sources are "confidential reports." Their total lack of truth could not stand the light of being open and forthcoming witness. Could these baseless data have been supplied by the lobbyists of the Electronic Industry Association who are looking to a new Billion dollar CB market?

Statement: "The opposition to giving the CB industry a greater share of the air-waves has been generated largely by the American Radio Relay League...a 'lobbying organization.'"

Fact: The opposition is a grass-roots effort from all the american amateurs who cherish their air space and are proud to have been represented by the ARRL since 1914. The ARRL is a non-profit membership organization. It is one member of the International Amateur Radio Union whose various members represent approximately one million amateurs throughout the world. It is not and never has been a "lobbying organization."

(continued)

Statement: FOOTNOTE - "The FCC's Chief Engineer; Raymond Spence, is a lifetime member of the league. Yet, has made decisions detrimental to the CB industry.

Fact: Mr. Spence is a licensed amateur radio operator. Anyone can become a licensed radio amateur by passing an examination showing qualification in theory and practical operation of amateur radio equipment which makes it possible to communicate with the entire world. You must be a licensed ham to qualify for life membership in the ARRL. Further, you must make a lifetime dues payment of \$150 to become a life member. Nobody, but nobody, can become a life member without these two pre-requisites. There is no such thing as a free life membership. And, what does Mr. Spence receive for being a life member? -- a monthly issue of QST, our amateur magazine, access to technical information from the league headquarters, participation in amateur contests and activities and the personal satisfaction of being a supporter of Amateur Radio and all it stands for. His being an active amateur and a life member of ARRL can bring him not one single solitary material compensation! As for conflict of interest, only the seven Commissioners by a majority vote can make a decision. Mr. Spence can only apply his technical knowledge in implementing these decisions.

Now, let's look at the record of Amateur Radio. From the dawn of the art, Amateurs have always been in the vanguard of radio development. Marconi and DeForest have always considered themselves as amateurs. An Amateur, Edwin H. Armstrong, was responsible for regeneration, vacuum-tube transmitters, the superheterodyne receiver, which is universal in its use & FM broadcasting. In WW I, 5000 amateurs volunteered for military duty and constituted the backbone of our military communications systems. Likewise, in WW-II, our country was fortunate in having thousands upon thousands of highly skilled self-trained amateur radio operators to take over the necessary radio, radar, and other essential electronic services. In fact, Radar was the result of observations by 3 amateurs during the 1920's and 1930's. Amateur radio was ever present in times of emergency, when lives were at stake in earthquakes, floods, the need for medicines, necessary communications with isolated personnel at the North and South Poles, and in countless other experiences. Amateur radio can justify its claims to its allotted frequencies. Mr. Anderson cannot justify his Championing of CB frequency claims by his article which contains nothing of fact and is a meretricious and gratuitous assemblage of misrepresentations.

Both the Daily News and Mr. Anderson owe Amateur Radio an apology and retraction.

s/Nathanial Pfeffer, W2AIM.....

ERRORS

With the tremendous amount of correspondence handled daily, and with writing the newsletter, this time consisting of 60 pages, we will make more mistakes than we like. We have the services of the best proof-reading in America...Ralph Cabanillas, W6IL, who will be glad to give the stuff the once over,,but, we never have time. The deadline slips up on us, and material comes in three days late, then, we may have a Chapters material prepared ahead, only to have a later newsletter come in which necessitates redoing the whole page. So, forgive us, and if there are serious errors, we will be glad to print retractions, or corrections, and send apologies.

The office gang.

TREASURE COAST CHAPTER

Issac Roach, K4QM, Chairman of the Chapter wrote a nice note on a fine activity handled at the Fourth Annual Treasure Coast Hamfest, in Vero Beach, on March 19, 1977. Pictured below are: L-R:

Karry Price, W4RA, ARRL SE Director; Isaac Roach, K4QM; and, Dot Saunders W4UF, who received her Golden Anniversary Certificate from QCWA. It was a fine luncheon, held at the Riomar Bay Yacht Club. Other celebrities in attendance were: Lew Sieck, K4NE; Frank Shannon, K4GT, Creed Chorpensing, W4TZ, Walt Kinney, W4GT, Richard Purinton, W1SX and Bill Wilmot, of SOWP...



Pix by W1SX

ARK-LA-TEX CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: B. W. Laurents, W5JAH, Secretary
1812 Cambridge Street,
Bossier City, LA 71112

The only news from ARK-LA-TEX was the fact that the Chapter was getting a new QCWA Banner. It should have been received by the time this is in print. Congratulations to the Chapter! Send us a pix when you can!

During the past few months, following entry of the QCWA membership rolls in the computer, we've been going over the membership standings for all members. There have been quite a number whose dues have lapsed. Most of them are only a few months past due, and we've been sending a letter out to all that we have found delinquent. Most are responding, simply having forgotten, or even not knowing due to the foul-up of Headquarters in letting them know. We did all we could to get reminders out before dues increased, and many did, but others were reminded after April 1, and thus fell into the dues increase bracket. We're sorry if you were in the latter group. It wasn't intentional, we just didn't have time to get all in the mail before the April 1 deadline.

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER QCWA For Info: Phil Haller, W9HPG
6000 South Tripp Ave
Chicago, IL 60629

Chicago Area activities are such that we'd have to use 6 pages to report & that a'int exaggerating, Hi. One thing about it, the Chapter doesn't run on diesel power..it's got too many spark-plugs! The largest activity was that associated with the Bi-Centennial Relay which has been reported previously. A tremendous & wonderful activity carried through by sweat, blood and tears. Honoring this, it's instigator (W9CI) and its sponsor, the Chapter, we're featuring the event on the cover of this issue of QCWA News.

In addition, and reported elsewhere, the Chapter is active in the formation and presentation of a slate of candidates for Offices and Directorships in QCWA. On a lighter side, the Chapter has prepared attractive certificates which are given to those who have served. The attached copy is not very good for duplication, but shows the general effect of these fine & coveted certificates.



NORTHWEST CHAPTER QCWA

Hal Johnson, W7PN, Secretary
48 E Harrington Lagoon Rd
Coupeville, WA 98239

As we write here, April 21, The NW Chapter Centralia group will be having a dinner meeting on the 23rd. Wish we could be there to attend. The Portland dinner meeting, held March 11, had an attendance of 52. A fine talk and picture program by Howard, W7DVK was enjoyed. Beth, W7NJS and her group did a great job. It was nice to see Lloyd, W7NC and Gil, W7CFR, from east of the mountains. Roy, W7AZI and YF Ethel brough Dewey, w7HF. Jim, W7BCT; Don, W7CWN; Bill, W7BCS; Harry, W7JWJ and Hal, W7PN & their xyls came down from the Seattle area, as did Bill, K7OZA. It is meetings like this that make QCWA really work! The secretary of the NW Chapter has issued a call for funds. Since the NW Chapter does not have dues, occasionally it is necessary to ante up a bit. We, at headquarters want to stay on the mailing list, so we're sending our buck too, Hi.

Information on the SEA-Q-DX Convention has come to our hands recently. A display on the event, which will feature the National QCWA Convention for 1977. The Northwest Chapter is sponsoring this event, and the thanks of all QCWA members goes to them for their work.

EAST TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Robert Embry, W4HHQ, Chapter Secretary
1704 Highland Dr
Knoxville, TN 37918

Radio Net Sundays 5PM on
3917..

The East Tennessee Chapter held its semi-annual meeting on November 6, in Knoxville, at the Best Western Inn. Two new members were introduced, and the Chapter took satisfaction in displaying the new banner. Forrest Pilgrim, W4JD, gave a good insight into operation back in the days of loose couplers, spark gaps, coherers and other such items which nearly always caused the radio room to be in the attic, the basement or the "half-moon" house. A fascinating re-enactment of the "on the air" sound the night that the Titanic struck the iceberg brought forth much discussion of the use of CDQ for the distress call...SOS came much later on.



This is the gang, with the new banner. A good pix, thanks Bob!.

SUWANNEE CHAPTER

Just a short letter from Hal, K4JTJ...The bi-monthly meeting of the Suwannee Chapter of QCWA was held on Saturday, February 26, 1977 at the Holiday Inn West, in Ocala, FL. Larry Garland, W4LIN, presiding. 35 members and guests were in attendance. WA4NKE entertained the group with a narrated slide program on SPAIN, where he and YF Lola, WA4OTQ, had lived for a few years. Good photography accompanied by Gene's narration was well received.

The next meeting of the Chapter was scheduled for the Holiday Inn at Silver Springs, on April 23, was set.

- K4JTJ -

TENNESSEE VALLEY CHAPTER

Larry Fralick, W4RQS, Secretary
802 Noland Blvd
Madison, AL 35758

A regular meeting was held on Feb 12, 1977 at the Hickory House, with W4HHU, Bull, President, stepping down as Net manager of the Tennessee Valley Chapter Net and appointed W4SAJ as new NCS. The Net is scheduled for 4PM CST Sundays on 3900. Please, all members and other interested, join in to make it a good on-the-air meeting. A nominating Committee was formed, with K4MG; W4OBV; K4UR and W4IKK working to provide a report for the July 9th meeting. Elections will be held at the fall meeting, for new officers. K4ER is working to set up a picnic style meeting on July 9th, at Sewanee, TN...details will be mailed to members, when firmed up.

- W4RQS -

NIAGARA FRONTIER CHAPTER

On-the-Air - Sunday, 1:30, 3900 Kc
Meetings, Each Saturday Noon, at
the Buffalo Trap & Field
Club

William J. Hope, W2EWT, Scty/Treas.
80 Coventry Road
Kenmore, NY 14217

The Chapter has published a new, 1977 Roster, listing members and the new Officers for 1977. It was reported that Ray Griswold, W2SD, Chapter President, has been in and out of the Hospital too much recently, but is now home and back on the air.. Rudy ehrhardt, W2PVI, is also regularly checking into the QCWA net. The Chapters radio net is growing, and all who can hear are welcome to check in.

In the pix at the right, L-R, are: Carleton Maylott, W2YE; Vice Pres, Robert House, W2JPE; Ray Griswold, W2SD, President; Gordon Knaier, W2LB; William Hope, W2EWT, Scty/Treasurer; and, Tom Whalen, W2QI. Picture was taken by Bill Kiefer, W2AQY.



The Chapter will have a booth at the New York Convention being held at Rochester on May 21, in the main dome of the Fair Grounds. Following a short business meeting, Carleton Maylott, W2YE, will present a program "Quest for Better Radio Signals" from 1924 to the present time. All are invited to attend attend and take part.

The Annual Dinner Party will be held June 19th, at the Buffalo Trap and Field Club, Cayuga Road, Cheektowaga, NY. Cocktails 5-6 with dinner at 6PM. The program will feature Ed Lindberg, W2CIL in a picture illustrated discussion of his trip in Europe. The event is open to all, QCWA or not! Reservations should be obtained from Bill Hope, W2EWT! Bob Johnson, W2WVC, has again generously offered the use of his Amateur Radio summer location at South Wales, NY for the QCWA picnic, scheduled for August 19.

New members welcomed to the Chapter are: Edward Wozniak, W2JUV; Gerald Brown, W2AYH; Robert o'Neil, K2AXE; and Richard Pratt, W2GIH. One old member would be welcomed if he'd ever show up .. Tom Gill, W2RIB ..

- W2EWT -

MID-CONTINENT CHAPTER QCWA

Charles Cramer, W0ZL, Secretary
6800 Woodson
Overland Park, KS 66204

Bill Cramer reports that the Chapter is being re-activated, and that he is busy attempting to get the files and current membership roster up to

date...well, we know what he's talking about! Bill asked for a list of members to QCWA since January, 1976...it's too long, and difficult to pull, actually, we are still not in that good a shape in the computer, but we're almost there. We're hoping that we get a few pix and info between now and the next issue of the news!

There's just enough room here to remind you - write a letter to an old friend today...don't wait, tomorrow may be too late!

PALMETTO STATE CHAPTER QCWA

Radio Net, 3933, Saturday at 1:30PM

The Chapter reports two new members

who are: WB4KWY, Perry Ford, of Spartanburg, and Bobby Pennington, W4YOH, of Charleston. A spring luncheon is planned for Greenville, and has now probably been held, but we've not heard of it here at headquarters. The Chapter held a membership drive, by mail, and we are interested in knowing how it came out. One of these days we will be able to provide a list of all QCWA members within a certain Zip-range, for chapters. Can't do it yet, but will in near future, which would help matters like that a bit.

The Charleston paper carried a nice story about K4QF, who collects and restores antique radios and associated equipment. He has a fine group of antique telegraph keys. Our letter from Robbie says DUZRDU! Hi.

Robbie Robinson, Secretary, K4JLM

1706 Afton Avenue

Charleston, SC 29407

ROADRUNNER CHAPTER QCWA

The Roadrunner Chapter held its annual meeting on Saturday, December 4, 1976. A new slate of Officers were elected at that time. The are:

Len Wilson, W5NVT, Secretary

221 Washington Street, NE

Albuquerque, NM 87108

Hayden Coker, K5BN, President

William Obrist, W5FT, Vice President

Leonard E. Wilson, W5NVT, Secretary/Treasurer

William D. Sperry, K5BVP, Director

Other Directors of the Chapter are: Jennie Lathrop, W5YSJ, and Edward Hart, Jr., W5RE.

Len was a bit short on news, but maybe next time we'll get more. Just want to say hello to Bill Obrist, who I knew a bit more than 40 years ago in Wichita, Kansas, when we were young.

- W5EJ -

SAILFISH CHAPTER QCWA

The Chapter's Christmas party was a joyful affair, and made more fun by presentation of the 50-Year golden awards to Bill Alexander, WA4SMF & E. K. Shinn, W4BIC. In the picture at the right, President Cal, K4GZ is shown presenting the Golden Certificate to Bill, with "EK" in the middle.

Tony Sariti, W4DTO, Secretary

4418 Holly Drive

Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33404

The Sailfish Chapter would like to take this opportunity to invite any QCWA member visiting Florida to any of the Chapter meetings. It might be that he will be able to get a word in edge-wise...QRM is pretty heavy until the meal is served, Hi.

We would all sure like to take in a Florida meeting, especially in January when the wx up here is not too good. Thanks for the invite.



Nothing from the Fort Worth Chapter, or Gateway Chapter, but then, comes GATOR...

GATOR CHAPTER QCWA

Dave Davis, W4GQ, Secretary
6971 Grand Vista Way, South,
St. Petersburg, FL 33707

While we haven't had any real new news from Gator, we've a bit of interest. First, Gator has one of the finest Rosters we've seen a Chapter publish. It is a delight to use and to see. Well, The Chapter held a celebration on its 10th anniversary, which turned out to be a high success. It was held November 6 at the Sheraton Sand Key Hotel. It was enjoyed by all...the Christmas party was held, but we've heard nothing about it...just wanted to know if Jack Gray's YF got to play the piano. Lou Sieck sent us a few pix, and in the one below, Harry Dannals visits with Bob McConaughty, K40Q. The 11th anniversary party is set for November 18-19, 1977.



L-R, Harry Dannals, W2HT and Bob McConaughty, K40Q at Gator Chapter

CENTRAL NEW YORK CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: Herbert Preson, W2RIZ, Scty,
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Tully, NY 13159

On-the-air, Sundays 11:30AM 3917 MHZ.

The Central New York Chapter held its annual banquet November 12, at Morey's Restaurant in Binghamton, with Jonas Dayger, W2JOJ as MC. 46 people were in attendance, in spite of no good weather. An excellent meal accompanied with fine live music put all in a good mood. In a brief ceremony, outgoing President, Orel Orvis, W2MAB turned over the gavel to President Ted Koranye, W2SFW. Officers installed at the meeting were:

Ted Koranye, W2SFW, President
Robert Turrell, W2UWD, Vice President
Herbert Preston, W2RIZ, Secretary
Harry Spencer, W2SDA, Treasurer

The planned entertainment consisted of a talk by Donald C. Hollister, on the role of the Indian Nations in New York State during the American Revolution, followed by a film on the Industries and scenic beauties of New York State. The evenings arrangements were directed by Ted Goodison, W2QLQ and all members appreciate his efforts.

OLD HAMS NEVER FADE AWAY WHEN THEY JOIN THE Q.C.W.A

CLEVELAND CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: George Riehl, W8NJF, Sty
794 Archer Rd
Bedford, OH 44146

The Chapters fall dinner meeting was attended by 36 QCWA members, their Ladies and guests...Food was good and fellowship even better. The speaker for the evening was Judge Manuel Rocker, W8FXC, who spoke on "Ham on the Bench." The program was enjoyed by all, and at the business meeting following, Officers for the year 1977 were elected:

George Lister, W8NV, President
George Hale, W8OA, Vice President
George Riehl, W8NJF, Secretary

The Chapter meetings on the air are on 28,625 on Wednesday evenings at 8:30PM with Paul Cornell W8EFW, as NCS.

In the Picture at right are: L to R George Lister, W8NV; George Hale, W8OA; and George Riehl, W8NJF...that's a hand to draw to--3 Georges!

Talked to NJF's xyl today who gave us the info on names..
Tnx - W5EJ

CALLBOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY

We received a large group of callbooks for the Library, from Ralph Cabanillas, W6IL, who had received them from one of the estates of an old friend in California...there were a bunch which have not yet been indexed into the library...Incidentally, we have been able to purchase a steel shelf set which will hold all of the callbooks, in nice order, clean and dry. In addition, Callbooks were received from Eric Shalkhauser, W9CI.. he has sent them before, and they have been indexed and marked...All books are marked with the call of the donor, and the date received. We received another group of books from Karl Gansler, W8MXO...and a couple of days later received two more books. Needless to say, they will be taken care of, and those with loose or lost covers will be recovered so as to be usable for many years. QCWA thanks all of you, and Amateur all over the world will thank you in years to come, as they become more and more difficult to locate.

The QCWA Office in Irving has had some very well known, and very welcome visitors. Loyd, WB8UDY, Otto, K5KN, W6ATC, W5NC, W5YZ, W5OGZ, W5OT, W5GT, W4UKA and XYL. It is a real pleasure to have visitors, if you are coming to Dallas, or nearby Irving, plan on dropping in for a long visit and a good old rag-chew. Of course, our regular standbys, W5CJZ, W5RC and me, we get here regularly, hi.

TREASURER'S REPORTQUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

	<u>Year</u>
	<u>1976</u>
INCOME:	
<u>INCOME AND EXPENSES</u>	
Entry fees - new members	\$ 2,715
Dues earned	20,416
Sales of pins, stamps, badges, alpha directories, etc.	3,993
Interest earned	5,147
Advertising	158
Contributions	35
	<u>32,464</u>
EXPENSES:	
Operating expenses - Headquarters office	9,758
Stationery and printing	1,462
General postage expense	1,973
Card punch / Computer records	1,961
Printing and mailing - Newsletter	
Printing, etc.	6,628
Postage	2,379
Printing and mailing - 1976-77 Year Book	
Printing, etc. (less 50% deferred to 1977)	3,585
Postage	1,605
Alpha directory - reprint	614
Advertising and promotion	727
Purchase of pins, stamps, badges, etc.	4,368
Office relocation expense	1,137
Miscellaneous	<u>1,138</u>
	<u>37,335</u>
NET (LOSS)	<u>\$(4,871)</u>

BALANCE SHEET

	<u>Dec. 31</u>
	<u>1976</u>
ASSETS:	
Cash - Petty cash	\$ 200
- Operating accounts	2,558
- Reserve fund	\$ 6,647
- Custodial funds	<u>61,203</u>
	67,850
	<u>70,608</u>
Deferred charge - 50% of cost of 1976-77	
Year Book allocated to 1977	3,584
Office equipment and supplies	<u>1</u>
	<u>\$74,193</u>
LIABILITIES:	
Unearned dues prepaid by -	
Regular members - years 1977-83	\$26,052
Life members	<u>35,151</u>
	<u>61,203</u>
NET WORTH	<u>12,990</u>
	<u>\$74,193</u>
NET WORTH - PER MEMBER	<u>\$1.64</u>

Reserve and custodial funds are on deposit as follows at December 31, 1976:

5½% Demand deposits (annual yield 5.47%)	\$ 927
7½% Time deposits (annual yield 7.9%)	<u>66,923</u>
Total	<u>\$67,850</u>

Ten Thousand Tons By Christmas



EDWIN LEE WHITE

Colonel, USAF (Ret.)

September 1976

"For adventure and thrills don't miss Colonel White's stories of our airmen who flew the Himalayas, The Hump — during the war."

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AUSTIN CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: W. E. Peterson, W5OY, Secretary,
9402 Arch Hill Circle
Austin, Texas 78759

Pete Peterson, W5OY sent in the picture, below, of the presentation of the Golden Certificate (54 years) to Bill Swearingen, WSUJ. The presentation, made by Dave Harrell, W5CVQ, at the October 2nd meeting of the Chapter.



Dave Harrell, W5CVQ

Bill Swearingen, WSUJ

COLORADO CHAPTER of QCWA

For Info: Stuart C. Edmonds, WØGW
3998 S. Hillcrest Dr
Denver, CO 80237

The Chapter's February newsletter was informative...reporting on the December meeting, and announcing the May 13 meeting, which will feature an election of Officers. The Chapter is trying to prepare a complete roster of members, and any who have not sent in their questionnaire should do so "rat now" as we say down south! Chapter activities include affiliation with the Colorado Council of Radio Associations. It was announced that WØBUI and WØUJS had become silent keys...they will be remembered. The nominating committee is busy, and as for us, down in Texas writing this...we're just waiting 'til summer to visit the Chapter again..Thanks to all for a warm and enjoyable visit last December.

In the picture at right front row, L-R, are: WØGW, WØCNY, WØLM, WØDR AND, in the back row: WØAVD, WØFUH, WØNNI, WØWSK, WØOVL, WØPGO...

Any QCWA members who are Colorado bound this summer, call some of the gang - you won't be sorry



DETROIT CHAPTER QCWA

Dick McNutt, W8CAT, Secretary

10421 Curtis Lane

Union Lake, MI 48085

The Detroit Metro Chapter met at the Studios of WXYZ on a nice cold November 17th evening. 25 members and guests were present. The guest speaker was W8SEL, Jim Prest, of WJBK-TV..the talk on micro-processors was enlightening to the gang. The Latest meeting was Held January 26th with temperature of zero. The weather kept the crowd away, but those who made it enjoyed the picture story of the "Tall Ships in New York Harbor" during the 4th of July bi-centennial celebration. The program by Prez, W8LZV.

EAST GEORGIA CHAPTER NEWS

Frank Simpson, W4ISS, Secretary

2643 Hillcrest Ave

Augusta, GA 30904

The East Georgia Chapter held its first meeting on December 21, 1976, in a meeting room at Martinez, GA. All members were present with exception of W4AAY and W4IEW. Matters of organizational nature were discussed and voted on, and the Chapter adopted by-laws and membership application for. Visiting member W4PED, from the Palmetto Chapter took photographs at the close of the meeting. It is expected that the Golden Anniversary Award for W4AAY (President) will be presented at the next meeting. W4ISS and W4OKL have been checking in to the Atlanta Chapter net on Sunday at 12:30PM on 3830. The Chapters Charter has been framed and can be seen at the home of K4IYS.



In the picture above, L-R are: W4ET; W4ISS; W4HRR; K4IYS; W4DJF; K4JSG; W4KL; and K4NM. Absent were W4AAY, and W4IEW. Taken December, 1976

THE FOURTH CORNER

We have been in correspondence with Bill Madison, W7YEQ, and Marion Strickland, Jr., W7FCH, with respect to formation of a new Chapter in the Bellingham area. The boys are working hard to get together the necessary number of members, and we expect to have word from them concerning the Chapter by press time. If interested in this newest Chapter project, get in touch with the boys above.

EVERGREEN CHAPTER

For Information: Howard R. Patrick, W7IDZ
Radio Nets: Sunday, 0830 PDT E 2927 15th AV
ON 3985 - W7MKN Spokane, WA 99203

The Evergreen Chapter continues to enjoy a steady growth. New members are: W7JHR; W7HGO; W7KEO and W7KOG. Several members of the Chapter participated in the QSO Party, reporting only fair results, with most activity on 20 meters. We are happy to announce that Harold Buroker, W7QC has been awarded the Golden Anniversary Certificate for 50 years, continuously licensed. The presentation ceremony was made at his home. A box of cookies made by Peggy, W7FL's wife together with coffee made by Harold made the visit enjoyable to all. The event is shown in the picture below



209 Years of Amateur Radio - L to R is Jeff, W7FL; Harold, W7QC; Damon, W7LKH and Doc, K7JR with 54, 54, 38 and 63 years in Amateur Radio, respectively.

ON TWO SETS OF CALL LETTERS ---- More and more QCWA members are taking advantage of the opportunity to get two or more Amateur calls. It is the "in thing" now, although unnecessary since the Commission has eliminated the need to identify portable or mobile in the US and possessions. We've the problem of how to deal with them, and it will be amplified when we go to prepare the new Roster of Members, due for publication as of January, 1978. The Computer will not handle more than one call, without a major change in programming and format...this we cannot afford. If we enter both calls, using different addresses, the mailing costs double, and this now amounts to about \$2.00 per year, per member, for just the newsletter. We would like to have each member designate a principal call, and address for mailing. We are trying to cut costs here, and to reduce unnecessary waste. Your help will be appreciated.

CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CHAPTER QCWA



At left is living proof that the Chapter Roster is kept up to date & published at their own expense - the Chapters author, lecturer and keeper of the funds, and...sometime movie Star! George and his Lady - the Holts.

The Chapter held its quarterly meeting on January 30, 1977, with officers elected. The beautiful new Chapter Roster was distributed to all members.

The newly installed Officers

of the Chapter are:

R. L. Red Maier, W5RDE, Chairman

Ivan Miller, W5HFU, Vice Chairman

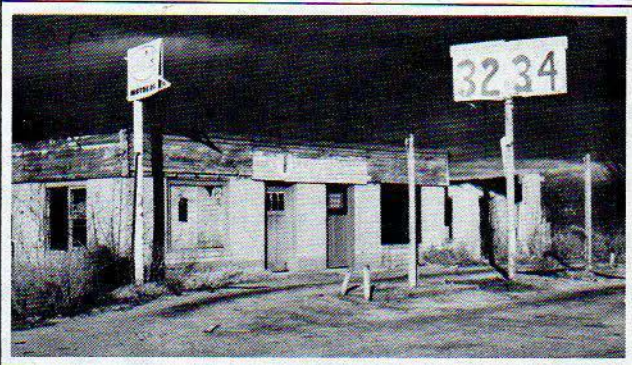
George Holt, W5DDI, Secretary/Treasurer

The Board of Directors are: Elmo Black, W5JCB; Ray Long, W5TY; Fred Boardman, W5NL; J. Raymond Willis, W5ATO. - The Chapter is working on its goal of 100 members, and making good progress. It was noted that John Hug, W5CFQ, a member of the Chapter had passed away, and will be missed by many who visited with him regularly on the air.

At right is a pix of a Central Oklahoma Chapter sponsored Gas Station. Needless to say, it is no longer in business, but don't it bring back some great memories...?

Wonder what happen?

Ed: Don't know Red, but we won't see that 32.9 again!:=



For Information: Contact George Holt, W5DDI, 4420 NW 19th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73107. On-the-air meetings each Sunday at 8:30AM on 3850.

CALLBOOKS FOR THE OT'S - Last issue of the News (Dec, 1976) on page 32, we had suggested that any members having 1975-1976 callbooks, who could give them up, might inform us, and we'd get them in touch with some of our members on tight budgets, who can't afford that 12 or 13 dollar book each year..they could get a reasonably new callbook for little or nothing. Well, we received word from two members having books, and sure enough, later on we got them together with members needing books. Since then we've received a nice 1975 callbook from F. C. Leonard, W2NPT, its here at the office, and to anyone needing it, it'll be sent upon receipt 50 mailing cost. We could use a few more names of those having books, & will get them in touch with those who could use them...let us hear!

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA COAST CHAPTER

We received a nice letter from the Chapter telling of events, and of the Chapter membership list, which was apparently written with invisible ink, since we could not find it, Hi. Harriet wrote to inquire about the requirement for receiving a Chapter Banner. The Board will prepare a Banner, free of cost, to any Chapter that provides a list of membership showing 50 members, at least, who are in good standing in the Chapter and in their National Dues. We will be glad to check a list, and if eligible will order a Banner. It generally takes about 4 weeks to get it prepared.

In the picture at the right, are shown one of the HZBN-YF teams.... and if you don't know what HZBN refers to...join the ranks. I didn't know either until the xyl said "For Heaven's sake, anyone would know it stood for husband." Well, maybe anyone would know it, but I didn't.. Anyhoo, The attractive couple are: Floyd, W6FNP and Bea, W6JXU, Ells.

NEVADA CHAPTER QCWA

We're of the opinion that SAROC wore the gang plumb to a frazzle. No word from the gang at Vegas, but a bit of activity elsewhere. In the at right, Kay Davis, K6HIT mans the QCWA booth at the HAWAIIAN SAROC, at the Kuilima Hotel, last August. She and OM David pushed for the cause of QCWA in the Islands. Note the NEVADA CHAPTER Banner used at the event.

We've been corresponding with Reid Ross, W7HOP, down in Carson City, and hope to get out that way one of these times for a visit.

That January SAROC must have been a real whizzer, and maybe the gang will pull themselves together about July!

- W7MWF -

GULF COAST CHAPTER QCWA

On the air meetings, 2nd & 4th Mondays, on 3925..after Gulf Coast Sideband net.

Clarence Ornduff, W5RZP, Secretary
317 Fayard Place
Biloxi, MS 39530

The last report from Clarence reported on the December Chapter meeting, held at Moody's in Gulfport. The January get-together was kinda skimpy due to bad weather. Local members are trying the on-the-air meetings on 146.25 for a while to see how it works..We are interested in knowing how it works out too.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER QCWA For Info: Elizabeth Zandonini, 3CDQ

About 200 QCWA members and guests attended the annual Old Timers dinner at the Sheraton Inn NE on March 26. Outgoing President N4IN thanked VP W3JPT and S/T W3CDQ for their two years work and introduced the New President W3JPT, VP W3CO and S/T, W3CDQ.

We were fortunate that an ARRL Board meeting at this time permitted may ARRL Officers and Directors to attend. FCC Chairman, Wiley and other FCC and OTP Officials were present. Mary Lewis, W7QGP, SCM for Washington State, gave details on the QCWA National Convention combined with the NW Division ARRL Convention July 29, 30 and 31.

Frank Gunther, W2ALS made observations on QCWA progress during his term as President, after which he presented a 50-year certificate to Granny Klink, W3AFV and a 60 year certificate to Max Jacobson, W3DUG and Tony Tamburino, K4BX.

Harry Dannals, W2HD presented a handsome ARRL plaque to FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley for his many contributions to Ham-Radio. Mr. Wiley remarked that Hams are his least troublesome licensees. Mr. Dannals spoke on reasons for being proud to be radio Amateurs.



In the picture above, L-R are: Tony Tamburino, K4BX; Frank Gunther, W2ALS, QCWA President; Max Jacobson, W3DUG, and Granville Klink, W3AFV...taken at the time of their Awards...

FLORALA CHAPTER QCWA

We've had no news from FLORALA since September, 1976...but we know that several meetings were scheduled since that time...how about a bit of news on what happened?

Marc Molyneux, Jr., W4MVM
5801 Shadesview Drive
Mobile, AL

FORT WAYNE CHAPTER QCWA

No news of the Chapter in 1977 - Wha hopen?

BLUE RIDGE CHAPTER

For Info: John McLane, K4FTB, Scty
1040 Carousel Lane,
Hendersonville, NC 28739

Meetings 2nd Wednesday, at
12 Noon, Ramada Inn at
Hendersonville, NC

The November meeting featured a report on the Houston National Convention, and the Directors meeting by Bob David, W4YK...also a program of Bell System movies on light and lasers. At the December meeting, Phil Wicker, W4ACY, ARRL Director for the Roanoke Division gave a report on current ARRL activities particularly with respect to the 1979 International WARC. Phil is a member of the Blue-Ridge Chapter of QCWA. The January meeting nearly got snowed out...as it did in many parts of the US of A...it was a nice informal meeting, enjoyed by those able to make it.

- John.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CHAPTER

For Info: Ernie Savage, VE7FB, Scty/Trs
4553 West 12th Avenue
Vancouver, BC, Canada V6R 2R4

The BCC has been pretty busy during the winter...working on the big Convention scheduled for the area in July - which will be the scene of the National QCWA Meeting. The Chapter put out a fine Christmas newsletter reporting on the Christmas Dinner and other activities. The Chapter has found that in order to use the name British Columbia in its official name, it must be able to prove that it represents 65% of the Amateur Radio operators who have been licensed 25 or more years in BC. Now that is a real challenge! The Chapter sponsors an on-the-air net, Sundays at 11PM, PST, on 3810...try to check in. All of us down south are sure hoping that we can come to the big Convention at Seattle/Vancouver this summer, first because it will be fun, and second, we want to see some of those live-wire VE's!

CANTON CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: Belden Blake, W8WNU, Scty/Treas.
810 37th Street, NW.
Canton, OH 44709

The Chapter issued a fine newsletter for February...one of the best we've seen, with a complete roster of membership included. Officers elected in November were: Roy Burckhart, W8CZA, President; Everett Gibbs, W8AQ, Vice President; and Belden Blake, W8WNU as Secretary/Treasurer. The November 13 meeting, held in Salem, had 39 in attendance. Murray Gast, W8OHV made it, and Mr. & Mrs. Lester Dieringer were attending as guests of W8BCB. The newsletter announced the next meeting to be held on Feb. 19 at the Brown Derby Sheraton. The menu made us hungry to read! We noted that the Callous Bottom Net is scheduled daily at 11-12 with Mac, W8RZ HOLDING out on 3910. It was announced that in May the Chapter will celebrate its 14th birthday, and a list of the 20 charter members was included. A good newsletter indeed, and want to thank the Chapter for sending it along.

PLEASE..When you write QCWA for information, a SASE would certainly be appreciated. ITEM..Zerex copies of early call-book listings have to be made out of the office. There is a charge of \$1.00 to search for, send out for copy and return to you.

THE CALOOSA CHAPTER QCWA

For Info call: John P. McCullin, W4AQT,
142 S. W. 53rd Terrace
Cape Coral, FL 33904

The Chapter has elected new Officers for
1977, a the first Chapter meeting of 1977.

Those elected and serving are: Owen J. McReynolds, W4DPS, President;
Mike Loria, K4CD, Vice President and John P. McCullin, W4AQT, Scty/Trea.
Our congratulations to them. In the picture below you'll see a reason
why the CALOOSA Chapter prospers: Note the Ladies - 50% of the members
bring their YL's out to the meetings.



The Chapter has 54 paid up members, and at the last meeting, a poll was taken to find that there were a total of 2192 years of Radio experience in the group. 14 members have more than 50 years, and 36 members with 40 or more years of Amateur radio experience. Kenneth Alfry, WB4ZBK has 55 years of service, and was honored by the Members. Caloosa wonders if any other chapter can equal the average of 41 years for each member. It is just a bit more than two years since the Chapter was formed, and all agree that having the Ladies participate sure makes the difference!

HARRISBURG CHAPTER OF QCWA

Richard Baker, W3TMN, Secretary, PT
1711 Lincoln Drive
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Meeting on the air Sunday, at 12
noon, on 3940!

The spring meeting of the Chapter was held in the community room of WHP-TV, in Harrisburg. The meeting was chaired by Dan Leibensperger, W3JXQ.

The chapter had not met in several years, and a Committee was appointed to serve until elections can be held in December, 1977. Members of the Committee are:

Dick Kerlin, K3AM

Dick Baker, W3TMN

Ran Wendel, W3LYE

It was decided to hold regular meetings in the first, third and fourth quarters of 1977...Specific meeting dates will be announced. Refreshments were served, and donations by attending members provided a bit of working capital for the treasury.

Keep us posted on progress...Ed.

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER QCWA

The Chapter reported its Executive Meeting, held April 5, at the home

of Jimmy Rives, The Chairman. Matters concerning the Chapter were discussed, concerning stationery, etc. It was found that membership applications were needed, which have been sent, and another matter of some interest to other Chapters. San Antonio wanted to know if Headquarters can supply a list of members in the National, located in the vicinity of the San Antonio area...so that they might be contacted and invited to Chapter activities. This cannot be done at this moment, but we are trying to figure the best way...right now it appears that we will attempt to print a list of all members who have joined QCWA since the last newsletter. It is a mammoth job of typing, and would require several pages in the News, but it would be of great value to all. Give us your comments! One way it could work would be to supply names of all members within a zip-area, this costs us some money, and trouble, but would be dandy for the use.

The next quarterly meeting of the Chapter is set for April 23.

- W5EDZ -

THE SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

The Chapter's March meeting was scheduled for March 22, at the Campus Buffet. At the time of our information, the program featuring George Mitchell, K6ZE had to be changed due to some problems at George's radio Station, but all were hoping to get him on the program soon. The Chapter Officers for 1977 are:

Si. Morrison, W6OSD, Secretary

Box 3345

San Ysidro, CA 92073

F. K. Bernardini, K6UV, President

Vice President is Larry Harvey, K6PY and,

Si Morrison, W6OSD, Secretary, with

Bob Frye, W6JWU, treasurer!



In the picture above, the Officers are, L-R, K6PY, W6JWU, K6UV & W6OSD

That is one happy looking crew, must have had a fine dinner!



In the picture above, L-R are:

Si Burnett, W6KSI; Earl Burdette, W6YYV & Gerald Estep, W6JAO. Got a bit close to the top of Gerald's head...he's pretty tall man!

MABEL CARSON, Our Office Secretary had a fine suggestion that we've taken action on this issue. It had to do with the Cover for this issue...Mabel suggested that we send a copy of the News to President Carter, and see if maybe he just might send a note to Eric, W9CI...we did it, so lets see if anything happens.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER QCWA

The January newsletter from NOCAL featured stories from the outgoing and incoming Chapter Presidents, and announced the February 26th Annual meeting. NOCAL has more on-the-air schedules than any other Chapter, we believe. The Chapter announced the following Silent Keys: Harry Stone, W6FQZ; Leon Bartholomew, W6LC and John Keim, K6DH.

Eugene Boyd Abbett, W6MHZ, Roger Williams, W6WGF and Claude Cole, W6YCT, have received their 50 Year Golden Certificates...Charles Pope, K6KF has received his 56 year endorsement sticker. The Chapter welcomes the following new members:

Merle B. Parten, K6DC; F. C. Caldera, W6IKQ; Roy T. Stromberg, W6GQD; E. B. Abbett, W6MHZ; Emery C. Boring, W6IIF; and Jim Haley, W6NH. All are invited to attend meetings and to the on-the-air nets.

In case some of us doubt the turnouts reported by the Chapter, here's proof...a pix taken of those attending the Annual Chapter Picnic last September 12., at Woodside, California, at the QTH of Walt Cooper, W6CDJ...boy, thats a group to be proud of!



On March 19, 1977 George and Helen Sperry, W4UKA visited with us here at QCWA Headquarters. It was a wonderful chance to relax and get acquainted. Certainly, if you are in the Dallas/Irving area, plan to drop in & visit for a while. From George we have an entirely new word, to us, that is, DUZRDU...which George says was coined by Art Monsees, W4BK... George suggests that it could be expanded a bit to URDUZRDU...now that we've so useful a word, we'll be using it often. Thanks again, Helen and George we enjoyed your visit and hope that you'll come again, and often!

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

be held at the Castaway Restaurant in Burbank on April 24. Anyone in the area please join in and have a good time. The speaker will be Don Williams of JPL on the subject of a "Computer in every home-1984 or the Millennium."

The Lockheed Radio Club has scheduled the Los Angeles Amateur Radio Convention for May 21-22. It will be held on the grounds of the Lockheed Employees Recreation Club in Burbank. The SOCAL Chapter will have exhibit space and will show several panels of old transmitting and receiving tubes as well as an old time Shack, with some nostalgic gear.

Thanks to a bit of publicity, the Chapter has sold about a dozen or so of the Bronze Belt Buckles, a facsimile of which appeared in the last newsletter. They are a thing of beauty and a joy to wear.

The boys, W6IL, K6BA and W6PG, who are responsible for scoring the QSO PARTY did a wonderful job, and All of QCWA thank them for their work. It is a hard job, and was well done. W6FQ was busy with the memorial station, and ran up a big score, even if it didn't count.

Last December 28, a bunch of the boys got together in an impromptu dinner in honor of Col. Gus Girona, W2JE. Those attending were: W6AGK, W2AIM, W6ATC, K6BA, W6CL, W6DRV, W6DQZ, W6FQ, W6HS, W6IL, W6LPJ, K6HV, W6PG, W6PHE, K6UQ and W6WT. This group included 8 past presidents, 4 past Vice Presidents, 5 secretaries, 4 treasurers and 2 Historians, of the Chapter.

- W6PHE -

SOUTHERN ONTARIO CHAPTER

The Chapter has been working hard to insure the success of the QCWA

portion of the Toronto ARRL Convention, to be held June 3-5, 1977, at the HOTEL SHERATON CENTRE. We are sorry that the Newsletter publication date was too late for good publicity for the event. However, the NE Council has been publicizing the event, as well as other groups around the US. The event will be a fine experience, and if you haven't seen the wonderful buildings in Toronto, you've a surprise in store. Toronto is a fine Cosmopolitan City, exciting and beautiful, and, as Frank says, it's warm in June, "honest."

Officers of the Chapter are:

Frank Hartley, VE3JT, President

Tom Hunter, VE3CP, Secretary-Treasurer

We note one activity which sounded like fun--"Eyeballs with highballs." which closed out one of the recent Chapter meetings. An admirable event. Let's have a good crowd from the States at the Convention...you won't be sorry.

REMEMBER -- Increased dues schedule became effective April 1, 1977. We have prepared a new membership application, FORM 5, and request that you destroy all old forms and use FORM 5 from now on. If you haven't a copy write Headquarters for a supply.

On March 22, 1977, QCWA enrolled as a member, Lewis C. Fay....Lewis is retired from a professorship at TCU, in Fort Worth. He was formerly 8CZL in 1926....and is the very first QCWA member with a call having as its prefix "WD" - Lewis is now WD5CFY. Welcome!

CENTRAL INDIANA CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: T. G. Lucas, W9BS, Scty

Jerry, W9BS reported on two meetings, one on September 16, and the last one on December 9, 1976, held at the State of Indiana, 5860 East 71st Str., with 40 persons in attendance. Members and their Ladies enjoyed a fine dinner followed by a good program presented by Alvey Pittman, W9EL, who presented a program of slides taken during his recent trip through Italy. New member Bob Osterhous, W9PSE was welcomed, with his wife, to the festivities. The Chapter announced the passing of W9MC, Crosby Bartlett on December 11, 1976 in Boca Raton, FL. Some happy faces at the September 16 meeting are shown below:



L to R - Larry Goetz, W9NXX; Red Fortner, W9FYM; Keith Blackwell, W9PLB; Charlies Willoughby, W9QLU; & Ralph Bundy, W9MEK

LUBBOCK CHAPTER OF QCWA

John Estes, W5HB, Secretary

The last report of the Chapter is dated September, 1976. The group gathered at Furr Cafeteria, for luncheon and a fine program of slides & descriptive material by W. T. Ward, W5IMN and his Lady, Joyce. Their recent trip to Jamaica was the subject. 20 members and guests were in attendance. It was reported that Jack Blackwell, W5RGP offered to present a program on Smith Charts and how to compute impedance...sounds like a good program!

4511 54th Street
Lubbock, TX 79414

It has come to our attention while using the computer, that some members who are in arrears with the dues to the National QCWA are elected officers of local Chapters. Again, this is ordinarily an oversight on the part of the members, due in part to our inability to notify them of expiration of membership. Since membership in good standing is required as a condition of Chapter membership, we'll try to do better in the future.

TYLER CHAPTER, QCWA

Frank Sewell, W5IZU, Secretary
1530 East Idel Street
Tyler, TX 75701

A fine meeting was held in Tyler in February, with a number of good Dallas Chapter members in attendance. The program consisted of material dealing with the New Texas Headquarters, with W5EJ, W5RC and others all discussing the problems. A find luncheon was enjoyed, and a few of the gang went to the local Ham Store, Cole's for a little eyeballing of the newest ham-gear. The Chapter started a ten-meter net on 28,650 at 8PM each Monday, and reports good activity.

It was reported that our Pal, W5ALL had lost both his father and mother in the past few months. The sympathy of all was extended to Merrill.

Secretary Frank was a little upset after rising, bright and early to go to Dallas, for a joint Chapter meeting, getting all dressed and waiting for his ride, only to be left behind. It wasn't intentional...somebody did a fumble..but it won't happen again.

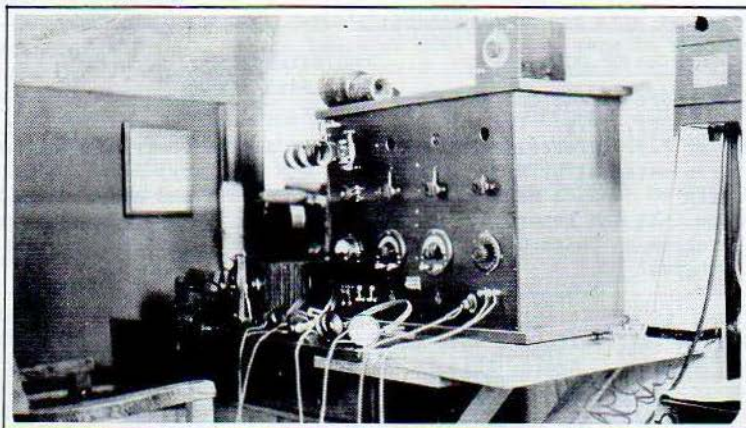
In the pix at the right, are Frank, W5IZU, Rollie, W5RC and Ray, W5QF, at the meeting



L-R, W5IZU, W5RC, W5QF

IRVING R. GROVES X-2DX

Sent in the picture below. It is a treasure, and quoting from Irving's letter, here's the description: "I think that many members would not recognize a spark transmitter, so am enclosing a picture of my station early in 1920. Equipment was a 1 kW Thordarson transformer, Dubilier mica condenser, Murdock oscillation transformer and an Amrad quenched gap that was supposed to give a 120 cycle note if adjusted properly...A condition rarely achieved."



Thank you Irv, we appreciate it...now, we need a picture of W2MDM's new version of 2DX. He might just give us one!

LONG ISLAND CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: Andrew Bartilucci, W2NKC, Scty
115 Roosevelt Str
Garden City, NY 11530

On-the-air, Sunday 11:30AM 3917, W2SF.

The Chapters February meeting featured

Dr. Joseph S. Hogan, Professor of planetary research at the State University of NY at Stony Brook. Dr. Hogan discussed aspects of man-made effects tending to deplete the ozone layer above the earth. The effects of water vapor and oxides of nitrogen emitted by SST's as well as fluorocarbons used in aerosol propellants. A vigorous question period followed, during which Dr. Hogan was encouraged to come back and discuss some of the wonderful findings of Vikings I and II in their Mars missions.

This was the first meeting featuring the newly elected Chapter officers:

Jules L. Freundlich, W2JGR, Chairman
Robert Graves, W2UAL, Vice-Chairman
Clifford Campbell, W2HVD, Treasurer
Andrew Bartilucci, W2NKC, Secretary

Committee members are: W2RRY, K2KM, W2KPQ, W2TD and W2FRX..W2RPZ is the new membership chairman, with W2FQ as frequency management chairman. A fine paper prepared by W2FQ and W2KPQ in response to FCC Docket 20271 was presented to the Chapter membership.



In the picture at left, are,
at left, Andrew Bartilucci,
W2NKC, secretary, reading the
Chapter minutes, and at the
right, President, Jules L
Freundlich, W2JGR.

The picture was taken at the
February 11, 1977 meeting.

NO SCUTTLE-BUTT - In case you want to know the facts, below are the frequencies allocated to amateurs, on an exclusive basis...they came fm the FCC rules governing amateur radio and are dated December 1, 1938

ALLOCATION OF FREQUENCIES

§ 12.111. Frequencies for exclusive use of amateur stations.—

The following bands of frequencies are allocated exclusively for use by amateur stations:

1715 to 2000 kilocycles. ²	50000 to 60000 kilocycles.
3500 to 4000 kilocycles.	112000 to 116000 kilocycles.
7000 to 7300 kilocycles.	224000 to 230000 kilocycles.
14000 to 14400 kilocycles.	400000 to 401000 kilocycles.
28000 to 30000 kilocycles.	

² Subject to change to "1750 to 2050" kilocycles in accordance with the "Inter-American Arrangement Covering Radiocommunication," Havana, 1937.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

A picture taken at the Delaware Valley Chapter meeting, with W2HD Harry Dannals who made the trip down to Philadelphia to address the Chapter. His remarks were a pleasure to hear.

BB mentioned that this next election was going to be a big one...and he's right. We now have the mailing envelopes, and the ballot envelopes ready to go.

The Chapter wanted to specially thank Harry for the visit, and to ask everyone to vote in the election.



HOUSTON Chapter - just under the wire. C. B. Scott, W5GPD, Secretary, 5475 Darnell Houston, TX 77096

Scotty reports that the Austin Chapter is planning a joint, 5-Chapter meeting, and that it will be over by the time this is in print. It will be a howling success. The Houston 3876 Net features lots of fellows, W8QON, W5JHS, WSURT, and all the boys around TX and OK check in regularly. It is a good place to meet your friends. The Monthly meetings continue to be the glue that holds the Chapter together, with meetings having attendance of 50 or more, regularly. In the Houston area there is much talk about the election, the Chicago gang, the nominating committee, et cetera. The high-pwr politicians and statesmen are watching the situation!

COMMEMORATIVE QSL CARDS

Herb Gleed, W6FQ, who operated W2MM during the 1977 QSO Party, gave up operation of his own station. Herb is always near the top, and has won top operating honors several times in the Party...to Commemorate the QSO Party, Harry Gartsman, W6ATC, has printed a nice QSL card which will be sent to any member requesting it. Drop a note to Herb Gleed, W6FQ, and, remember, include an SASE. You can get a card, whether you worked W2MM or not. Send your note to:

Herb Gleed, W6FQ
2206 West Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90016

THE MIDNIGHT BLUES

This is written March 25, following a night's fight with the computer. We are trying to get all records of QCWA membership brought up to date & in the computer by April 15. It appears now that we will not make it. We are able to examine manually about 200 members records daily, and make changes on our master list. The changes then must be put into the computer memory, modifying incorrect data. Rollie, W5RC has been working on that phase, and the #0{*&\$\$\$*computer spits back data as fast as we can type it in. Somethings wrong, and we're not up to date enough to understand the problem...now, if it were getting a few more mA into the grid of a 203A, we'd be able to cope!

DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER QCWA

Scty: A. G. Wentzel Jr, W2HX
318 Gardner Ave
Trenton, NJ 08618

We want to apologize to DVC on omission of material from the December newsletter..BB had sent it. We just muffed the deal.

New Officers for the Chapter were elected at the November 6 meeting. The feature of the November meeting was a program of "this is your life--made to feature the Radio life of BB Wentzel, W2HX, acted out by members of the Chapter. It was a fun program, and took BB by surprise! The new Officers are shown in the picture at the right...L-R are: George Gierman, W2QLP, Treasurer; Sidney Deitz, W2FDE, Vice-Chairman; George Hautenschild, W3KD, Chairman; and A. G. Wentzel, W2HX Scty.



The March 12 meeting for the Chapter was held at the Buck Hotel In Feasterville, PA, with 101 members and guests in attendance. The meeting featured a memorial for silent keys, and then in a happier vein, New members were introduced. They were: Albert G. Collard, W2KGM; August W. Kurz, W3BB; Mr. John D. Naughtright, W2DGE and Mr. William Suggs, W2RPH. Speaker for the evening was Harry Dannals, W2HD, President of ARRL, who spoke on the upcoming European Convention of Frequency allotments, to be held in 1979. His talk was well received, and many questions were presented for discussion from the floor. W3MFY donated a nice door prize, and the date of the next meeting was set at June 11, 1977

W2HX

DAYTON-CINCINNATI CHAPTER QCWA

For Info: Walt Wehner, W8TYL, Scty
433 Wayne Drive
Fairborn, OH 45324

The Dayton-Cincinnati Chapter held its Winter Dinner Meeting on February 10, at 7:30PM, with a turn-out of 66 members and guests. Chairman Paul Wiegert, W8TH, introduced the speaker from Ohio Bell, Mr. Fred Brooks, whose slide and talk program on the "Worlds Biggest Computer" was most interesting. Vice Chairman John Schlueter, W8WYH, gave us the latest details on our next big event, the QCWA Banquet during the Dayton Hamvention, to be held April 29. The Chapter expressed some concern about the expiration code on the address labels sent from Headquarters on the December News. It was found later that the computer input had not been completed at the time labels were required, and that everything was OK, or would be when the work was completed.

In the picture at the left, Don Alexander, W8LK is on the left, & Bill Biddle, K8UZ, is on the right.

Bill sent the picture, taken at a recent Dayton/Cincinnati Chapter Meeting.

Bill, If I got this one mixed up will you take the blame! Paul will skin me alive....Ed.



THE TORONTO CONVENTION

We regret that the publication of the newsletter was too late to help much in the attendance at the Convention. We did, however, send copies of the advertisement to the NE Council, to the Chicago and Florida Chapters, with a request to publicize the event on the air as much as they possibly could. Let us hope that the stateside QCWAers really get into the act in Toronto. Good work Frank!



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For advance Convention registration details see major Amateur Radio journals. QCWA Luncheon reservation tickets ordered by May 7th postmark \$7.75 per person. After that date \$10.00. Write F. W. Bartley, VE3JF, 15 Cachet Pkwy., RR2 Gormley, Ont., Canada L0H 1G0, enclosing M.O. or certified cheque only, payable to "F. W. Bartley, In Trust".
73 from Chapter No. 73!

THE DAKOTA CHAPTER OF QCWA

Dell went in the necessary request for a Charter in QCWA, to begin a much needed activity in the Dakota region. The Charter was granted, subject to Board Approval, on February 10, 1977. That was a pretty cold and wintry time up there, and we expect that the boys have not yet gotten together in a Charter meeting. Our congratulations to those who worked hard to get the group together, and we're looking for them to be pretty popular in the QSO Party, and well as with other QCWA'ers who are trying to work all states. Let us hear from you as soon as you can, with a few pictures too!

Remember to use the new Form 5, for new membership applications. If you do not have any such forms, they are available from Headquarters for the asking.

H. B. Burner, W00EL
422 West Main Street=
Mayville, ND 58257

WEST VIRGINIA CHAPTER QCWA We received a nice pix from Penn, WB8UDY, of the last meeting, but no material describing what went on...sorry, but we'll hope the mail moves a bit faster the next time.



SILENT KEYS

It is our sad task to report the following are Silent Keys

K1BS	Louis F. Eaton	W5TOJ	John A. Davis, Jr.
W1PID	Gorham Cluett	W5EYC	Edmund MCA Fountain
W1TH	Theodor Schreyer		
W2GFZ	M. K. Kruger	W6BUD	Ray C. Halkney
W2KFA	Gene Lombardi	K6AAK	William C. Shelton
W2KH	Dr. George Bailey	K6DH	John D. Keim
W2UM	Paul Todd	W6FRD	L. E. Attwood
W2VEL	Joseph Augustaitus	W6GYO	Sidney Inselman
W2LWO	W. M. Derrick	W6HQ	Lt. Col. J. Bindner
W2SAS	Carlton H. Thrasher	W6HGW	Thomas Crow
W2ALH	Russell H. Tighe		
W3DVO	Raymond P. Aylor	W7FDN	Tyrus T. McFadden
W3HI	William S. Ridenour	W7YA	J. H. Hallock
K3JM	Van Turner		
W3KDH	Norman H. Plumb	W8IJV	Warren Bauer
W3LD	James J. Logan	W8TE	Andrew Shafer
W3VU	Edward E. Jones	W9MD	W. L. Holst
		W9LJU	Raymond T. Peschek
W4AA	Wayne M. Nelson	W9QWM	Harold E. Schrock
W4GOC	W. T. McNallan	W9RO	Robert Woolsey
W4MJ	L. R. Wever	WB9SDT	M. C. Bartlett
W4NF	Ken Norquest		
W4WVH	Woodrow J. Shaw	W0BUI	Robert Collier
K4YA	Kendrick Rohan	W0UJS	Charles Sterne
W4ZF	Fred W. Borton	KH6AR	Ken C. Bryan
W4JUX	Robert B. Somers	W0BYC	Clarene E. Courtney
W5CFQ	John L. Hug	VE3ZI	F. Campbell Rutherford
W5RD	R. H. Ralls	VE3OH	Ross B. Walker
		VE7DT	Oswald G. Thomas

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS

"Active Network Design" by Claude S. Lindquist, is an entirely new book describing filter design and application. It appears to be a valuable reference for engineers, technicians and hobbyists needing an understanding of signal processing and filtering, and who must specify, design or adapt filters for their own use.

The book features standard design curves, tables (e.g., filter nomographs, response curves, component specifications, etc.), practical design examples (touch-tone, telegraph & Dolby filters; amplitude & delay equalizers, etc.), numerous problems with selected problem solutions form an encyclopedia of terminology, helpful to Amateur & Professional alike. If you have

interest in magnetic tape equalizers, acoustical data couplers, scramblers, and many more similar filter applications, this book is for you!

Dr. Lindquist is Professor of Electrical Engineering at California State University, Long Beach. He has been a consultant to Bourne, Datametics, KVB and Vega Electronics.

The book is cloth-bound, 749 pages, 7 x 10, with 690 figures, 175 tables 224 examples, 597 problems & 121 problem solutions. It is available from:

STEWART & Sons,
P. O. Box 15282
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CORRESPONDENCE

Here at Headquarters there may be several people handling letters & applications. We have noticed that occasionally a check will come in that does not have your call-letters on it...this helps us in the event that the check and application become separated. Also, mail should be signed with your name and call, and QCWA number, if possible. It is unbelievable how things can get confused from time to time, especially if two are working at once, your help in this might save a couple of letters back and forth getting straightened out....thanks.

THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF QCWA is offering the beautifully designed bronze belt-buckle. It was designed by Adolfo Procopio, and each one is signed and dated by the Artist. Profits from the sales go to the Chapter. If interested, write to Archie Willis, W6LPJ, 9276 Borden Ave., Sun Valley, CA 91352.



NORTHERN NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

The Chapter met in a luncheon group on December 4, 1976...56 members and guests were present. President George Apfel, W2GHV, introduced Bob Gunderson and Jack Popelle, both of whom recalled interesting past experiences. Greetings from W4AMJ, formerly W2AMJ, were passed to those in attendance.

In a discussion, question was discussed regarding ways and means to get younger members into QCWA. Dr. Ray Weise, WB2SYD, gave an interesting talk and slide presentation of the communications supplied by over 20 amateurs to the Bi-Centennial Retreat March...Nat Pfeffer, W2AIM, made a report on the Slate of Candidates for election to National Offices. After discussion, it was moved and seconded and passed, that the NNJ Chapter will support a second slate of candidates for National Offices, and that the Chapter would actively assist in finding responsible people willing to serve. Chapter membership is now 207, and counting!

ERROR ACKNOWLEDGED

In the December, 1976 issue of the Newsletter, page 32, the editor of the newsletter incorrectly identified the Officers of the Dayton-Cincinnati Chapter of QCWA, shown in a picture supplied to this office. We have been requested to correct the errors, and to explain how they were made. In the pix below, we would like to correctly list names and offices as follows



Those shown, L-R are: John E. Schlueter, W8WYH, Vice Chairman; Paul C. Wiegert, W8TH, Chairman; Walter A. Wehner, W8TYL Secretary/Treasurer.

An explanation for the error is more difficult, since we are unable to think of a good reason for having made the error. The names were listed on the rear of the picture in the order center, right and then left, and probably in the last minute typing, this unusual listing order probably just went unnoticed. We apologize and will attempt to avoid such bungling in the future.

OLD TIMERS CORNER

From the pages of QST for May, 1922, is a list of all licensed radio stations broadcasting as of March 10, 1922. All are three-letter calls except KDKA. An interesting thing is that all stations operated on 360 meters (833 kHz). Those showing an asterik (*) shifted frequency to 485 meters (618 kHz) to broadcast market or weather reports. This was only 16 months after the first scheduled broadcasts from KDKA. Broadcasting was in chaos!

Owner	Location	Call
Allen, Preston D.	Oakland, Calif.	KZM
American Radio & Research Corp.	Medford Hillside, Mass.	WGI
Atlantic-Pacific Radio Supplies Co.	Oakland, Calif.	KZY
Ramberger, L., & Co.	Newark, N. J.	WCR
Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Inc.	Los Angeles, Calif.	KJS
Church of the Covenant.	Washington, D. C.	WDM
City of Chicago.	Chicago, Ill.	WBU
Cox, Warren R.	Cleveland, Ohio.	WHK
Crosley Mfg. Co.	Cincinnati, Ohio.	WLW
DeForest Radio Telep. & Telep. Co.	New York, N. Y.	WJX
Detroit News, The.	Detroit, Mich.	*WWJ
Doubleday-Hill Electric Co.	Pittsburgh, Pa.	KQV
Doron Brothers Electric Co.	Hamilton, Ohio.	WRK
Duck Co., Wm. B.	Toledo, Ohio.	WHU
Dunn & Co., J. J.	Pasadena, Calif.	KLB
Electric Lighting & Supply Co.	Hollywood, Calif.	KGC
Examiner Printing Co., The.	San Francisco, Calif.	KUO
General Electric Co.	Schenectady, N. Y.	WGY
Gilbert Co., A. C.	New Haven, Conn.	WCJ
Gould, C. O.	Stockton, Calif.	KJQ
Hamilton, Mfg. Co.	Indianapolis, Ind.	WLK
Hatfield Electric Co.	Indianapolis, Ind.	WOH
Herrold, Chas. D.	San Jose, Calif.	KQW
Hobrecht, J. C.	Sacramento, Calif.	KVQ
Howlett, Thos. F. J.	Philadelphia, Pa.	WGL
Karlowa Radio Co.	Rock Island, Ill.	*WOC
Kennedy Co., Colin B.	Los Altos, Calif.	KLP
Kluge, Arno A.	Los Angeles, Calif.	KQL
Kraft, Vincent L.	Seattle, Wash.	KJR
Lorden, Edwin L.	San Francisco, Calif.	KGB
Marshall-Gerken Co.	Toledo, Ohio.	*WSZ
Metropolitan Utilities District.	Omaha, Nebr.	*WOU
Meyberg Co., Leo J.	San Francisco, Calif.	KDN
Meyberg Co., Leo J.	Los Angeles, Calif.	KYJ
Missouri State Marketing Bureau.	Jefferson City, Mo.	*WOS
Montgomery Light & Water Power Co.	Montgomery, Ala.	*WGH
Newspaper Printing Co.	Pittsburgh, Pa.	WPB
Northern Radio & Electric Co.	Seattle, Wash.	KFC
Palladium Printing Co.	Richmond, Ind.	*WOZ
Pine Bluff Co., The.	Pine Bluff, Ark.	WOK
Pomona Fixture & Wiring Co.	Pomona, Calif.	KGF
Portable Wireless Telephone Co.	Stockton, Calif.	KWG
Precision Equipment Co.	Cincinnati, Ohio.	*WMH
Precision Shop, The.	Gridley, Calif.	KFU
Radio Construction & Electric Co.	Washington, D. C.	WDW
Radio Corporation of America.	Roselle Park, N. J.	WDY
Radio Shop, The.	Sunnyvale, Calif.	KJJ
Radio Telephone Shop, The.	San Francisco, Calif.	KYY
Reynolds Radio Co.	Denver, Colo.	*KIZ
Rike Kumler Co., The.	Dayton, Ohio.	*WFO
Rochester Times Union.	Rochester, N. Y.	*WHQ
Seeley, Stuart W.	East Lansing, Mich.	*WHW
Service Radio Equipment Co.	Toledo, Ohio.	WJK
Ship Owners Radio Service.	New York, N. Y.	WDT
Union College.	Schenectady, N. Y.	WRL
University of Minnesota.	Minneapolis, Minn.	*WLB
University of Wisconsin.	Madison, Wis.	*WHA
Warner Bros.	Oakland, Calif.	KLS
Wasner, Louis.	Seattle, Wash.	KHQ
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.	Springfield, Mass.	WBZ
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.	Chicago, Ill.	KYW
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.	Newark, N. J.	WJZ
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.	East Pittsburgh, Pa.	KDKA
Western Radio Electric Co.	Los Angeles, Calif.	KOG
Western Radio Co.	Kansas City, Mo.	*WOQ
White & Boyer.	Washington, D. C.	WJH
Wireless Telep. Co. of Hudson County.	Jersey City, N. J.	WNO

From the August, 1922 issue of QST..

"Mr. John diBlasi has resigned his connection with the Continental Radio & Electric Corp. and is now President of the Queens Radio Co., Inc. of Winfield, L. I. Mr. R. H. McMann has joined the forces of the Continental Radio & Electric Corp.

EXPIRED MEMBERSHIP

Beginning in this issue of the Newsletter, you will find your address label showing a date. If the date shown is DEC76, and if you find an "X" in the far right-hand corner of the label, your membership has expired. You may renew your membership, without penalty, up to one year. If you have been delinquent longer than one year, write headquarters for information.

THE MUSKEGON CHAPTER QCWA

On January 13, 1977, the Chapter held its quarterly dinner meeting at the Elks Club. 18 members and guests were present, in spite of a bunch of mean weather. W8LCV and W8QOY made it in from Portland. Judging by the lafugther and fun on the repeater, everyone had a good time.

A short business meeting was conducted by President, W8NWU, and it was agreed that meetings were to be held monthly from now on. W8TBP very generously purchased a banner for the Chapter. The whole gang thanks Skipper for the gift. We understand that the Chapter has begun a QCWA on the air net on 3895, each Thursday afternoon from 4:30 to 5:30.

For information - contact Russ Reece, Scty of the Chapter...1748 Evanston, Muskegon, MI 49442.

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1903-MARCONI 75th ANNIVERSARY-1978

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The Club has been preparing for the event for more than a year, and has been assigned the call KM1CC, commemorating the original call "CC", later MCC and then WCC. The Club has authority from the Department of the Interior to use the original Marconi Station site in the National Seashore Park in South Wellfleet. The activity has been coordinated with the Cornish Radio Club, affiliated with the RSGB, will be operation a special event station from the original Marconi location at Poldhu, England. Much effort has been expended to get the USPS to issue a 75th anniversary commemorative stamp for the event.

Since the Club is a small one, it is accepting donations of \$1.50 for 10 Marconi envelopes, postpaid. The money will be used for printing and supplies. We urge all QCWA members who are able, to support this fine activity. Write to:

Robert J. Doherty, W1GDB
RFD 1, 14 Pine Street
Sandwich, MA 02563

POT PUR RI

David Talley, W2PF, has been issued the 60 year Certificate. David has held nearly all QCWA Offices through the years.

A note from Bill Halligan confirming his Bal Harbour Address.

Eduard Petty, W8QON, of Toledo wrote of his pleasure in the QSO Party. It was so much fun that Eduard would like to see two of them a year! He also suggested that we supply a full size sample log sheet, as a centerpiece in the news next time..and a question, do we plan a new Alpha-by name directory. Well...As to two QSO Parties...probably some day, but I don't think so at this time...it's a devil of a job for the sponsors. It will be easy to put a log sheet in the news, if someone will remind us to do it...and if enough want an alpha-by-name directory, it can be done.

Willard Waite, W8GDQ, wrote about summer/winter addresses. Suggested that if such is needed, why not take out a second membership in QCWA!

Ray Bryan, W5IQ, had to really bear down to get his Life Certificate..He took his money but didn't come up with the Certificate..he's got it now!

Donald L. Beam, W8JPQ, Ceterville, OH, sent callbooks, which are much appreciated. We get about 25 to 50 requests for xerox copies of early calls each month. Thanks, Don.

Joe Kellar, W7AIW sent a nice letter, and stated that he had never before contributed to the QCWA Newsletter. Well, he has a nice poem, and here it is:

LISTENING IN

You send the message, Lord to me
My spirit receiver tuned, will be
Whatever mode; voice, picture or code
You know the way and what to say
So fill my mind
And fill my heart
Give me the strength to depart
To answer all the calls I hear
To bring Your help to someone dear.

- W7AIW -

Harold Becker, W9PW - of Belleville, IL is still trying to get some new QCWA activity going in the St. Louis area. How about helping him. I hope that be the time this goes to print that we have been able to visit with Harold, and maybe we can get a few of the fellows together there for a visit.

Irv Emig, W6GC writes that QCWA should maintain high standards in operating practice and conduct. He strongly suggests that since Members are looked up to, that they should upgrade their licenses, and otherwise take every opportunity to set an example to other Amateurs.

Sam Ellner, K4PZ, sent in his membership dues, and reported that he had been in the hospital for heart surgery, and a pace-maker.

Phil Coulter, W7PX wrote concerning his Golden Certificate, and that Russ Patrick, Secretary of the Evergreen Chapter was coming 215 miles to make the presentation in an official manner. That's dedication to comradship.

The New Coastal Bend Chapter presented headquarters with material from the files of Frank Smith, W5VA, who passed away a short time ago. Loose-leaf notebooks of old callbook material, much of which did not appear in QCWA files. It will be kept in trust for use of all Amateurs.

QCWA MEMBERSHIP

Applicants for QCWA membership must have held an Amateur Radio License at least 25 years ago and must, at the time of applying, hold a valid Amateur license. Proof of Eligibility must be shown. Headquarters has a library of callbooks from the old times which can be used in most cases. A request for information will bring a prompt return letter to you.

An entry fee of \$3 is charged for initial membership. Dues in the amount of \$14 for three years are payable in advance with the application. Life membership may be obtained for \$70, plus the \$3 entry fee. Time payment of Life membership fees is available: Three payments to be completed in one year, of \$30, \$25 and \$15 respectively. Upon completion of the Life-membership fee, the Life Membership Certificate is issued.

CERTIFICATES

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES, numbered in chronological order, are issued to each member. The numbers are never re-issued, except to the same one to whom they were first assigned, in the event that he has allowed his membership to lapse. Blue certificates and membership cards are issued to regular members, with Gold Certificates and membership cards going to Life Members. In the event a certificate must be replaced, the charge is \$1.00.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY certificates are issued, upon request and proof of eligibility, those having completed 50 years in Amateur radio being the recipients. Endorsement stickers for each 2 year interval above the basic 50 years are available from Chapter Secretaries.

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60th ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATES are issued to those who have completed 60 years as a Licensed Amateur. Proof of such licensing must be given, and 2 year endorsements may be obtained from Chapter Secretaries. Note that 1912 is considered the first year of Amateur Licensing, being the first period for which call-books were issued.

QCWA WORKED ALL STATES CERTIFICATES are issued to QCWA members who have completed their records of contacting QCWA members in each of the 50 states.

QCWA WORKED 100 CERTIFICATES are issued by the Operating Activities Manager upon proof of such operation.

QCWA WORKED 60 CHAPTER CERTIFICATES are issued by the Operating Activities Manager, upon proof of such operation.

QCWA WORKED 500 CERTIFICATES are issued by the Operating Activities Manager, upon proof of such operation.

QCWA ANNUAL QSO PARTY. A plaque is issued on behalf of QCWA, by the Operating Activities Manager, to the high-scorer of the Annual QSO Party. The plaque is inscribed with the winners name, score and year of the event. A new plaque is issued for each years event.

All Certificates are numbered serially, with a permanent record kept as to those who were honored by the Award.

QCWA SUPPLIES

The following supplies may be purchased by QCWA Members:

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QCWA Lapel Pin, 50-Year, clutch type only	\$4.50
QCWA Lapel Pin, 60-Year, clutch type only	\$4.50
Blazer Emblem, 4" embridgered patch (QCWA Logo)	\$3.50
500 Red QCWA stamps for regular members	\$1.75
500 Gold QCWA stamps for Life Members only	\$1.75
400 Red QCWA stamps overprinted in gold (50 Years)	\$1.00
240 Yellow, 50 Years in Amateur Radio (new design)	\$2.00
QCWA Logo on rubber stamp	\$3.50
QCWA automobile decal 4"	.25
50 QCWA 2" celluloid buttons, blue on yellow	\$17.50
Chapter Banners: 30 x 48 inch, Storm King Cotton (80 dollar cost shared equally by QCWA)	\$40.00
Chapters who attain 50 or more members will be issued the banner free of cost	

QCWA Headquarters
1409 Cooper Drive
Irving, TX 75061

Date _____

Please send the following QCWA supplies, as indicated:

_____, \$ _____

_____, \$ _____

_____, \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Send to: _____
Name _____ Call _____ QCWA No. _____

Address _____, Zip _____

Signed _____

Note that supplies cannot be issued to ineligible members, that is, the 50-year pins can only be issued to members who have been awarded the 50-year Golden Certificate, and so forth.

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

1409 COOPER DRIVE
IRVING, TEXAS 75061
PHONE: (214) 438-8038



Membership Number _____

Date Admitted _____

I, _____ (Print name as you wish it to appear) _____ (Present Call) _____

QCWA OFFICE DATA

Membership
Application

Form # 5

April, 1977

Date Admitted

Amount
Received

Paid
Through

Certificate
Sent

having been a government licensed radio Amateur for at least 25 years, do hereby
apply for membership in QCWA. My complete mailing address is:

Zip _____

I will keep QCWA advised of changes in address.

Date of first license _____, First Call _____

Additional calls held were _____

I expect to become a member of the _____ Chapter of QCWA

Signed _____

Proposed by _____ Call _____ QCWA No. _____

Schedule of Fees:

\$3.00 Entry Fee (non-recurring) - - - - - _____

\$14.00 Dues for the minimum 3-year membership - - - - - _____

\$70.00 Dues for Life membership (payable in full, or in 3 payments,
within one year...1st-payment \$30, 2nd \$25 & 3rd \$15) - - - - - _____

\$3.50 For each QCWA pin ordered on the form below - - - - - _____

Foreign mailing costs:

\$3.00 (1.00 per year) for foreign surface mailing charges - - - - - _____

\$9.00 (3.00 per year) for foreign airmail charges - - - - - _____

Make all checks or money orders payable to QCWA, Inc., in US Funds

Total _____

Please furnish the following information:

Date of Birth _____, Birthplace _____

Class of Amateur License _____

Commercial Licenses _____

Present Occupation/Business _____

If retired, what was your Life work? _____

Hobbies _____

Other Organizations with which you are affiliated _____

GOLD PLATED QCWA LAPEL PIN ORDER

Please send QCWA Pins as follows: () Clutch Pin; () Screw Button; () Pin Clasp

The following call letters to be engraved _____, \$3.50 for each pin.

Mail Pins to _____, Call _____, Address _____

Zip _____

DeFOREST PIONEERS, Inc.

We have just received a complete set of the publications of the DeForest Pioneers, Inc., 254 Vincent Avenue, Lynbrook, NY 11563... The documents were sent by Kenneth Richardson, who is Secretary, Treasurer, and Editor of the Organization's Newsletters, cover the period January, 1972 to October, 1976 in sixteen Letters. We also received a number of the programs for annual meetings of the Association. The Association is dedicated to the preservation of papers, apparatus, and materials which have bearing on the life and work of Dr. DeForest. It brings together all who, at some time in their life, were associated with Dr. DeForest in his pioneering work in electronic and communication technology.

The documents will be made a part of the QCWA Library, and will be held in trust. Copies of the QCWA News will be sent on a complimentary basis to the Association.

The DeForest Pioneers will hold a joint meeting with the Veteran Wireless Operators Association, Inc., on Thursday, May 26, 1977, at 6PM on Governors Island. The 1977 Annual Marconi Memorial Services of the VWOA are scheduled at the Monument, at 4:30PM, at Battery Park.

A NICE THOUGHT - Don Holaday, WODR, an old friend, mentioned to us last winter, while we were in Denver, that a truly nice gift for an old friend, would be a membership in QCWA. He promptly did that - purchased a membership for an old pal.

We can process them here at headquarters, if we know the first call or at least a call held 25 or more years ago...A letter of transmittal of membership certificate, and all other matter will be sent, with a gift card from you. If you are interested in this, drop us a line... we'll work with you to make it a memorable event for an OT.

QCWA ADVERTISING

Advertising in the QCWA Newsletter is offered in two main types. First are QCWADS, which allow no unusual or special layouts. Sort of like a want-ad layout...and Second, we have standard space availabilities, which permit artist layout or special eye-catching features to enhance their value. These are $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ or full page ads. You will see a number of such ads in this issue of the News.

The QCWA News will have a circulation of approximately 8,400 copies this issue.

ADVERTISING RATE STRUCTUREQCWADS

<u>Column Inches</u>	<u>1 Time</u>	<u>3 Times</u>
1	3.00	7.50
2	5.00	12.50
3	7.00	17.50

Payment in advance. Ads will be prepared in the general format used herein. Note that 1" ads reduce to approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ inch when printed.

DISPLAY SPACE

<u>SPACE</u>	<u>1 Time</u>	<u>3 Times</u>
Full Page	100.00	275.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ Page	60.00	165.00
$\frac{1}{4}$ Page	35.00	97.50

Camera-ready copy page size should be 6" x 9"... $\frac{1}{2}$ -page may be either vertical or horizontal... $\frac{1}{4}$ -page may be 1 column x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", or 2 column x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "...

If you have other space requirements, write headquarters for information on special rates.

QCWA members are urged to shop the Advertisements, and support those who are helping QCWA, where possible.

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QCWA INTERNATIONAL NETS

Sundays: 2000 UTC - 21,445 kHz
W6IL, W2AIM, KP4CH

2100 UTC - 14,345 kHz
W2SF, W6FQ

Wednesdays: 8:00PM EST, 7034 kHz, CW
9:00PM EST, 3750 kHz, CW
W2JBL, W9RC, W9CV +

Forwarding Postage Guaranteed

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